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Bloch Was One Of Most Important Composers Of This Century

Ernest Bloch, composer and conductor, died in a hospital in Portland, Oregon, where he had been under treatment for cancer. His age was 78 years. Mr. Bloch, one of the most important composers of the present century, neither founded a school nor had active disciples, as has been the case with many of his contemporary colleagues.

His music was much too original to be imitated; and, while Mr. Bloch himself was a noted pedagogue, he never foisted his own theories upon his pupils, being content to analyze great masters like Bach and Beethoven, says the New York Times. Yet by force of his musical personality and the uncompromising honesty of his ideas, he was recognized even by those who did not agree with his principles as one of the masters of contemporary music.

Mr. Bloch was born in Geneva on July 24, 1880. The violin was his first instrument. More and more, however, his interest turned toward composition, and at the age of 15 he had composed a string quartet and an "Oriental Symphony." He studied in Geneva under Jacques Dalcroze, and in 1897 went to the Brussels Conservatory, where he worked with Eugen Ysaye and François Rasse. Then followed additional study in the Frankfurt and Munich Conservatories.

After his student days, Mr. Bloch made his headquarters in Paris. His first published piece of music was issued there in 1903 —the "Historiettes au Crépuscule," for voice and piano. At about this time he started his first important work, the lyric-drama, "Macbeth," which was completed in 1909 and produced the next year at the Opéra Comique.

"Macbeth," because of the strangeness of its idiom, aroused violent controversy. After more than a dozen performances in two seasons it was withdrawn and it was not heard again for more than twenty-five years. In 1915 Mr. Bloch became Professor of Composition and Esthetics at the Geneva Conservatory. The next year he visited America as conductor for the American dancer, Maude Allan.

Shortly afterward, Mr. Bloch became an American citizen. He taught at the Mannes School of Music in New York and in 1920 became director of the newly formed Cleveland Institute of Music. Six years later, he assumed direction of the new San Francisco Conservatory. He remained there until 1930, when a ten-year grant enabled him to devote himself to composition.

During those years he composed in Europe. During a visit to New York in 1934 he conducted the première of his "Sacred Service," a commission by Gerald Warburg for service in the Reform Synagogue, says the New York Times. At the outbreak of hostilities in 1939, Mr. Bloch returned to the United States.

As a composer, Mr. Bloch was best known for his works that express the Jewish spirit. The composer in 1938 wrote an article for Musica Hebraica in which he set forth his doctrine:

"In my work termed 'Jewish' —my Psalms, 'Schelomo,' 'Israel,' 'Three Jewish Poems,' 'Baal Shem,' pieces for the 'cello, 'The Sacred Service,' 'The Voice in the Wilderness'—I have not approached the problem from without—by employing melodies more or less authentic (frequently borrowed from or under the influence of other nations) or 'Oriental' formulae, rhythms or intervals, more or less sacred!

"No! I have but listened to an inner voice, deep, secret, insistent, ardent, an instinct much more than cold and dry reason, a voice which seemed to come from afar beyond myself, far beyond my parents * * *

"This entire Jewish heritage moved me deeply; it was reborn in my music. To what extent it is Jewish, to what extent it is just Ernest Bloch, of that I know nothing. The future alone will decide."

Mr. Bloch previously had stated that "it is not my desire to attempt a 'reconstitution' of Jewish music. It is the Jewish soul that interests me, the complex, glowing, agitated soul that I feel vibrating throughout the Bible."

During his career Mr. Bloch was the recipient of several prizes, says the New York Times. His Suite for Viola and Piano won the Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge Award of $1,000 in 1919, and his epic rhapsody, "America," won the Musical America competition in 1927-28. In 1942 the American Academy of Arts and Letters conferred upon him its gold medal. Mr. Bloch was the first composer to receive it.

His Second String Quartet won the 1947 New York Music Critics Award for the best American chamber work of the season. In 1953 he achieved the unusual distinction of being cited twice by the Music Critics Circle. His Third String Quartet was named the best chamber work of the year and his Concerto Grosso No. 2 the best work in the orchestral category.

In 1957 Mr. Bloch received the Henry Hadley Medal of the National Association for American Composers and Conductors for "distinguished service to American music." On April 8, 1958, he received a citation from the National Jewish Welfare Board "for distinguished contributions to the development of American Jewish culture."

His last two works, completed in 1956, were a pair of Suites for unaccompanied 'cello. The first of these is strongly traditional in structure. The second, more freely modern, is virtually a one-movement work.

Mr. Bloch's "Sacred Service" was given in its entirety at a concert at Temple Emanu-El in New York on May 3 by a symphony of seventy musicians and three choirs, says the New York Times. Parts of the "Sacred Service" are played at almost every Reform service.

Surviving Mr. Bloch are his widow, Marguerite; two daughters, Suzanne, a performer on ancient instruments who is in private life Mrs. Paul Smith; and Mrs. Lucienne Dimitroff, of Mill Valley, Calif.; and a son, Ivan, of Portland.

Mich. Supreme Court Bars Mixed Seating Plan

The decision of the Michigan Supreme Court, barring plans of a Mount Clemens Jewish Congregation to institute mixed seating, was hailed by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America as sustaining the principle that issues of Jewish religious law can be decided only by qualified rabbinic authorities and not by votes of laymen. The ruling unanimously upheld the position of the plaintiffs, a minority group of Congregation Beth Tefilas Moses, which had opposed the projected change from separate to mixed seating of men and women at religious services. The plaintiffs contended such a change would be a violation of religious property rights. The State Supreme Court decision reversed the finding of a lower court.

Moses I. Feuerstein, president of the Union, the national body of traditional congregations of the United States and Canada, pointed out that the ruling also affirmed two other basic religious rights. He said these were that a minority in a congregation could not be deprived of its religious rights by a majority, and that property rights of a minority could not be taken away by a majority. Mr. Feuerstein noted that the legal principle enunciated by the Supreme Court of Michigan, namely that the courts will protect a minority against a group supporting doctrines fundamentally opposed to the doctrines of the religious denomination or disavowing the tenets and practices hitherto followed, had been applied in numerous cases elsewhere. Among these other cases, Reid against Johnston, decided by the Supreme Court of North Carolina, and involving a dispute among Baptists, is illustrative.

The ruling, the Union president added, also sustained the plaintiffs' position that a "momentary majority" may not change the historic character of a synagogue through use of a ballot for that purpose, and that the proposed change constituted an infringement of the religious and property rights of the minority despite the fact that there was "no expressed trust" to which the property of the congregation was subject. The decision also affirmed the plaintiffs' contention that the congregation was established and maintained through its 48-year history as an Orthodox synagogue as well as their contention that the unchallenged evidence proved that mixed seating violated Jewish Religious Law and the sanctity of the synagogue.

The Michigan high court ruling climaxed a struggle of more than five years, led by Baruch Litvin, Mount Clemens business man, against the proposed change. The decision was based on a brief prepared by Samuel L. Brenglass, New York attorney, who is national vice-president of the Union and chairman of its communal relations commission. The brief was submitted by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America and the Rabbinical Council of America, the largest association of Orthodox rabbis in the United States, as "amici curiae" in support of the plaintiffs.

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Ben-Gurion Favours Formal Ties With West Germans

The question of Israel's re-establishing diplomatic relations with West Germany has not been brought up in recent years because West Germany was "not ready for this," an Israeli Foreign Ministry source told the New York Times. If West Germany's attitude changed, he added, the matter would most probably be taken up by the Israeli Government.

Premier David Ben-Gurion has stated on several occasions that he would be in favour of formal ties with the German Federal republic. He repeated this. However, there is still some opposition to the idea among the parties in the Knesset (Parliament).

Since 1956 West Germany has not indicated that she would favour establishing relations with Israel, the Foreign Ministry source said. The reason for this, he went on, apparently was West Germany's concern that this would prompt the Arab states to recognize East Germany.

Israel has been receiving about $70,000,000 annually in reparations from West Germany. An Israeli purchasing mission has been established in Cologne to direct the buying of German goods and equipment with these funds. This mission has certain diplomatic

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Came To U. S. With $3.40, Gives $300,000 To Hebrew U.

Charles Charcowsky, of New York and Miami Beach, business man and philanthropist, who recently donated $200,000 to the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, announced a new gift of $100,000 for the purpose of establishing a chair in poultry science and animal hygiene at the Jerusalem school. The new post will be held by Dr. Melech Perek, of the University's School of Agriculture. Mr. Charcowsky, who lives at 2445 Walton Avenue, the Bronx, arrived in the United States in 1904 as an immigrant house-painter and paper-hanger, and rose to be an important figure in the wholesale and retail paint industry. He made the allocation through the Charcowsky Foundation, which he recently formed with funds in excess of $600,000 earmarked for charitable purposes.

The philanthropist said in a statement: "I came to the United States from Russia 55 years ago as an almost penniless stranger with a total capital of $3.40. I do not believe that anyone could find the same opportunities for making good in any country in the

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Largest Orthodox Group Of U.S. Rabbis Plans Center In Israel

The Rabbinical Council of America formulated plans at Fallsburg, N. Y., for the establishment of an academic center in Israel. The center would serve as "an instrumentality for the building of a cultural and religious bridge between Israel and American Jews."

Rabbi Charles Weinberg, first vice president of the Council, announced that the proposed $500,000 academic center would be an adjunct of the Council's Yeshivath Hadorom. This is an institution of higher Rabbinic and Talmudic learning at Rehoveth, Israel. It trains teachers, rabbis, and social workers for service in Israel, says the New York Times. The Council — the largest Jewish Orthodox rabbinic group in the U. S. held its twenty-third annual convention in Fallsburg.

Rabbi Weinberg said that graduates of Jewish Orthodox rabbinical seminaries in the U.S. would be invited to study for a year or more at the academic center "for special research in the fields of Jewish religious law, Is-

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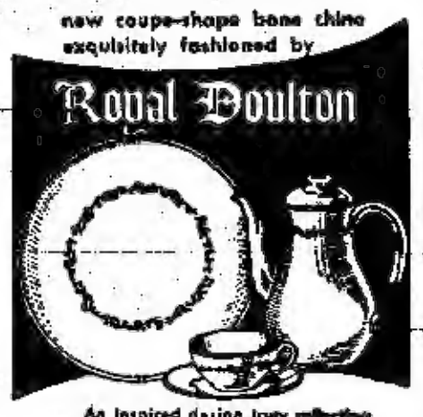

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Social Notes — Montreal

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Caplan, 69 Summit Crescent were at the Mount Washington Hotel, in Bretton Woods, New Hampshire.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Williams and daughter, Miss Lorna Williams, 587 Lansdowne Avenue, spent several days in Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Goldstein and sons, Lonnie and Rickey, 6905 Victoria Avenue, were at Schroon Lake, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Dubney, 4557 Sherbrooke Street West, are spending some time in the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gertler, 718 Victoria Avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. B. Berger, 4846 Roslyn Avenue, spent some time at Lake Placid, N. Y.

Maxwell Cummings, 4697 Westmount Boulevard, spent some time at the Mount Washington Hotel, in Bretton Woods, New Hampshire.

Miss Mitzi Riddell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Riddell, 4900 Western Avenue, spent three months in Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Issley and daughter, Myra, 5453 Victoria Avenue, spent a few days in Atlantic City, N. J.; and visited his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Issley, of Bronx, N. Y.

Michael Issley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Issley, 5453 Victoria Avenue, was at Camp Bayview, at St. Donat, Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Schuchmann, 3400 Ridgewood Avenue, spent some time at the Mount Washington Hotel, in Bretton Woods, New Hampshire.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Etcovitch, 6435 Macdonald Avenue, spent some time at the Mount Washington Hotel, at Bretton Woods, New Hampshire.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Altner, 4960 Powell Avenue, spent several days in Lake Placid, N. Y., and Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Mrs. L. Golloh and son, Joel, 4462 La Peltrie Street, spent three weeks in Alton, Illinois, visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gilbert. Mr. Golloh joined them for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Kaminsky and son, Earl, 4695 Bouchette Avenue, spent ten days at Kutsher's Country Club, in Monticello, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Ryback and children, Hyman and Sylvia, 6025 Mountain Sights Avenue, spent a week in New York and New Jersey.

Mrs. A. Benton Lewis and son, Sheldon Jay, of Miami Beach, Florida, are spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Singer, 5252 King Edward Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rosenthal, 5569 King Edward Avenue, spent a week at Grossinger's, N. Y.; and a week in Atlantic City, N. J., and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kirsh, 4760 St. Kevin Avenue, were at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., for three weeks.

Miss Joyce Bloomfield, 6257 Mountain Sights Avenue, was at Hyannis, Cape Cod, and Boston, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Grayson and son, Allen Mark, of Bronx, N. Y., are spending a month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sabin, 4167 La Peltrie Street.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Meilman, 975 Bertrand Circle, motored to Atlantic City, N. J., and visited Mr. and Mrs. Hal Issley, of Bronx, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bender, of Chicago, Illinois, spent a few days with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Golick, 4855 Queen Mary Road; and his niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. G. Springer, 541 Kindersley Avenue, at their country home at Ivry North, Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Avrith and children, Mark and Erica, 531 Algonquin Avenue, spent a week at Bradley Beach, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Pantel, 2258 Fulton Road, spent several days in Lake George, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Libenstein, 4425 Girouard Avenue, were in the Catskill Mountains for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. David Weigensberg, 5712 Wentworth Avenue, spent ten days in Atlantic City, N. J.

Allen and Melvin, sons of Mr. and Mrs. H. Margolese, 5704 Leger Avenue, were at Camp Bayview, at St. Donat, Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rosenstein, 4690 Bouchette Avenue, spent several days at Scaroon Manor at Schroon Lake, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Bodenstein and son, Howard Neill, of Brooklyn, N. Y., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Morantz, 4570 St. Kevin Avenue, and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Morantz, 5586 Northluke Avenue. They also visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ash, 590 Champagneur Avenue, in Plattsburg, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosenblatt and sons, Joel and Barry, of Long Island, N. Y., are spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Davis, 4455 Dupuis Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Gilletz, 3825 Dupuis Avenue, spent several days at Scaroon Manor, at Schroon Lake, N. Y.

Mrs. H. Stern, 3800 Decarie Boulevard, spent three weeks in the Catskill Mountains, New York.

Rabbi and Mrs. Nathaniel A. L. Pollack, of Pueblo, Colorado, are spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moriss Dunsky, 4724 Carlton Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Sheffren and son, Harvey, 2795 Brinton Road, spent several days with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sheffren, 8017 De L'Acadie Avenue, at their summer home in St. Albans, Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Seitz, 2435 Noel Street, spent two weeks in Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Gary Reinblatt, 4800 Decarie Boulevard, and Harvey Goodman, 5229 Ponsard Avenue, spent two weeks touring Cuba.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Andes and son, Abbey Henry, 4500 Linton Avenue, spent a week in Lake George, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Ullman, of Kingston, Ontario; and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Beck, of Beaumont, Texas, were here visiting their children, Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Beck (nee Isabella Ullman), 5558 Decelles Place, on the occasion of the birth of their daughter, Patricia Michele, on July 3, at the Royal Victoria Hospital; sister of Kathline, aged three; and Suzanne, one and one-half.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Fefergrad, and sons Larry and Edward, 1072 — 14th Street, St. Martin, Montreal, motored to Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Rubinfeld, 7909 Wavell Road, spent a holiday in Cape Cod, Mass., and later visited with relatives in Boston, and Nantasket Beach, Mass.; and Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Diamond, 3820 St. Kevin Avenue, spent several days at the Hotel Marcy, in Lake Placid, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. William Grossman and sons Allen, Ronald, and Gary, 5765 Cote St. Luc Road, spent two weeks in Kennebunk, Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Cerobow, 6442 McLynn Avenue, were in Old Orchard Beach, Maine, for three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Lipson and family, 5703 Smart Street, Cote St. Luc, spent a two-week holiday in Atlantic City, New Jersey, and Lake George, New York.

Montrealers who spent three weeks in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., were: Mrs. Pearl Rosenstein, 3955 Dupuis Avenue; Mrs. L. Backler, 3020 Van Horne Avenue; Mrs. E. Mann, 421 St. Joseph Boulevard West; Mrs. Tauba Rosenthall, 806 Stuart Avenue; Mrs. Mary Bernstein, 5255 Cote St. Luc Road; Mrs. N. Finkel, 5210 Victoria Avenue; Mrs. S. Stern, Borden Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. M. Leibovitz, 829 Dollard Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. S. Birenbaum, 4419 Oxford Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. E. Gillman, of Quebec City.

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BAR-MITZVAHS

Robert Meyer, son of Mrs. Sally Silverstone, 2201 Maplewood Avenue, and the late A. Silverstone, will be called to the Reading of the Law in celebration of his bar-mitzvah on Saturday, August 29, at the Beth David-Beth Yitzchok-Kehal Jeshurun Synagogue. He is the sister of Miss Marilyn Silverstone. A luncheon in the synagogue hall will follow the services.

Fred, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fagan, 5825 Souart Avenue, will be called to the Reading of the Law in celebration of his bar-mitzvah, on September 19, at the Chevra Thilim Synagogue. He is the brother of Zachary; grandson of Nathan Fagan, 3825 Dupuis Avenue; and of I. Kravitz, 2900 Van Horne Avenue. A luncheon in the synagogue hall will follow the services.

Elie, son of Dr. and Mrs. Jacques Chalouh, 5410 King Edward Avenue, will be called to the Reading of the Law in celebration of his bar-mitzvah on Saturday, August 29, at the Shaare Zedek Synagogue. He is the brother of Louise, aged twelve years. Kiddush will be observed. A luncheon in the synagogue hall will follow the services.

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. David Carlin (nee Edythe Fishbein), of Forest Hills, Long Island, N. Y., formerly of Ste. Agathe, Quebec, on August 5, at Forest Hills General Hospital, twin daughters, Robin Wendy and Shari Anne; grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fishbein, of Ste. Agathe; and of Mr. and Mrs. S. Carlin, of Forest Hills.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Shapransky (nee Dorothy Kerzner), 3940 Mackenzie Avenue, on August 3, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, a daughter, Melanie; sister of Steven, aged three years; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Kerzner, 3942 Mackenzie Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. J. Shapransky, of Joliette, Quebec; great-granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Rumanek, 5390 Van Horne Avenue.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Beck (nee Isabella Ullman), 5558 Decelles Place, on July 3, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, a daughter, Patricia Michele, sister of Kathline, aged three years; and Suzanne, one and one-half years; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Ullman, of Kingston, Ontario; and of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Beck, of Beaumont, Texas.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Eichenbaum (nee Rhoda Alper), 4830 Plamondon Avenue, on August 9, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son, Steven Jeffrey; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Alper, 4913 Kent Avenue; and Mrs. Mary Eichenbaum, Van Horne Avenue, and the late Samuel Eichenbaum; great-grandson of Jacob Alper, Stuart Avenue; and of Max Rosen, Maplewood Avenue. The godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Alper, Victoria Avenue, uncle and aunt. Edward Alper, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Rohr (nee Norma Shore), 2750 Bedford Road, at the Jewish General Hospital, on August 9, a son, Jeffrey Irwin; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. I. Shore, 3212 Kent Avenue; and of Mrs. R. Rohr, 2155 Van Horne Avenue, and the late I. Rohr. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. Zabitsky, uncle and aunt, 6882 Wilderton Avenue. Mr. Shore, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. Morris Sabin (nee Ellen Berlin), 5120 Bourret Avenue, on August 5, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son, Norman; brother of Harold, aged two and one-half years; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sabin, 4167 La Peltrie Street; and of Mr. and Mrs. M. Berlin, 687 Wiseman Avenue. Godparents are: Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Singer, 4300 Western Avenue, uncle and aunt. Joseph Singer, 6050 Hudson Road, uncle, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Reiter (nee Estelle Macklan), 4840 Maplewood Avenue, on August 6, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, a son, Aubrey Jay; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. H. Reiter, 3841 Arcade Street; and Mr. and Mrs. C. Macklan, 1066 Fourteenth Street, St. Martin. The godparents are Mrs. Seymour Steinman, 5490 Lavoie Avenue, aunt; and Joseph Reiter, Suzor Cote, uncle. H. Reiter, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

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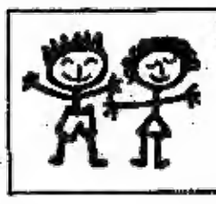

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Dedicate New Wing Of Brussels Home For Aged

Government officials, civic and welfare leaders, and prominent members of the Jewish community of Brussels, Belgium, took part in a ceremony laying the cornerstone for a new wing of the Jewish Home for the Aged in the borough of St. Gilles. The home is under the patronage of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth of Belgium. Among the speakers at the ceremony were Gideon Rafael, Israeli Ambassador to Belgium, and Rabbi Marc Kahlenberg, Chief Rabbi of Brussels.

A leading Brussels merchant, Simon Haim, contributed five million Belgian francs ($100,000) for the building. The balance of the funds is being provided by the Joint Distribution Committee, which is the major agency serving welfare and educational needs of Jews overseas, the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, and the Jewish community of Brussels. The total cost of the construction is estimated at 21,950,000 Belgian francs ($439,000) and it is expected to be finished by 1960.

The new 60-bed wing is to be erected adjacent to the original home on land bought for the purpose. Of ultra-modern construction, it will leave ample space for gardens around the building. Its layout and equipment will facilitate the use of the latest techniques in caring for aged persons, based on research in the psychology of the aged.

When completed the home will provide for the care of 90 to 95 elderly people. The new wing will house 60 residents, mostly in single rooms, and will also include recreation rooms, dining room, and facilities for occupational therapy. The original building is currently being remodeled to care for 30 to 35 infirm aged and will also contain offices, staff quarters, kitchen, and laundry and heating equipment.

The home at present accommodates 56 persons, including 43 women and 13 men. Most are 65 years of age or older, the average are being 77. Twenty-five are former DP's or refugees under the protection of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees. Among these are six who came to Belgium from Shanghai under special arrangements with the Belgian government. The proportion of aged among the 20,000 Jewish population of Brussels is estimated at 12 per cent, or about 2,500, a percentage slightly higher than for the general population of the city. Those not living in institutions are assisted by the A.I.V.G. in regard to housing, home help for the sick, medical care, and cash relief.

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Social Notes — Montreal

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kanzer and daughter, Miss Harriett Kanzer; and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. Pitcher, all of Fayetteville, North Carolina, spent several days visiting Mrs. Kanzer's mother, Mrs. A. Razovsky, 876 Rockland Avenue; and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. S. Goldberg, of that address.

Mrs. S. Nash and son, Michael, 6472 Van Horne Avenue, returned via B.O.A.C. from London, England, where they visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Martin, of London, England, for four months.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lowy and family, formerly of 6247 Lennox Avenue, have taken up residence at 5760 Deacon Avenue.

Mrs. A. Fox and sons, Seymour and Allen, 7280 Querbes Avenue, spent two weeks in Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Miss Cherna Rosenberg, 4839 Jeanne Mance Street, is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Pervin, at their country home in Petit Lac Long, Quebec.

Manny Leibovitch, 6737 Wilderton Avenue, spent several days in Atlantic City, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Daniel Pinchuk are spending their wedding trip at the Nevele Country Club, in Ellenville, N. Y. Mrs. Pinchuk is the former Miss Miriam Stam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stam, 6400 Esplanade Avenue. Mr. Pinchuk is the son of Mrs. Alice Pinchuk, 3805 St. Kevin Avenue, and the late Archie Pinchuk.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Adelson, 1808 Glendale Avenue, returned from Winnipeg, Manitoba, where they visited their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. George Frank (nee Rheva Adelson, formerly of Montreal), and sons, Murray and Albert.

Mrs. B. Libman and children Philip and Jonah, 6933 Jeanne Mance Street, spent two weeks with her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jaskulka, of Downsview, Ontario. Mr. Libman joined them for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pascal (nee Doris Shapiro), 5854 Decelles Avenue, entertained thirty-five guests at their home, at a pidyon-ha-a-ben for their son, Brahm, who was born on July 16, at the Jewish General Hospital. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shapiro, 4940 Maplewood Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pascal, of Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Pascal wore a black eyelet cotton dress. Mrs. Shapiro was in a brown and white silk cotton dress. White gladioli and blue carnations decorated the table.

Mrs. Max Himel, 4740 Lacombe Avenue; and Mrs. J. Black, 5178 Durocher Avenue, entertained fifty guests at an open house and tea, to celebrate the approaching marriage of Miss Marlene Rhoda Spevack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Spevack, 3010 Barclay Avenue, to Edward L. Helfield, son of Mrs. Ann Helfield, 5390 De Vimy Avenue, and the late M. H. Helfield, which takes place on August 30, at Adath Israel Synagogue; and the approaching marriage of Miss Sema Black, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Black, 7490 Stuart Avenue, to Henry Goldstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Salomon Anhalt, of Brooklyn, N. Y., on September 27, at Beth Aaron Synagogue. Mrs. Himel wore a beige cotton dress with a corsage of red roses. Mrs. J. Black was in a black silk dress, with a corsage of white carnations. Mrs. Spevack was in a blue silk cotton dress; and Mrs. Helfield, in an azure-blue silk dress, each having a corsage of red roses. Miss Marlene Spevack, the bride-to-be, wore a multi-coloured, printed cotton jersey dress, with a corsage of red roses. Mrs. M. Black was in a two-piece black shantung suit; and Miss Sema Black the bride-to-be, wore a black linen dress with a large white collar; both having corsages of white carnations. A composition of pink, white and red carnations and gladioli, decorated the table.

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Cutler (nee Eleanor Veroff), 2800 Goyer Avenue, on July 30, at the Jewish General Hospital, a daughter, Joanne; sister of Terri, aged two years; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Veroff, 6401 McLynn Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Cutler, 4855 Queen Mary Road.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Allan Rosen (nee Shirley Fixman), 5060 Borden Avenue, on August 13, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son Howard Leslie; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M. Fixman, 5060 Borden Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rosen, 67 Nelson Avenue. The godparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. Vatch, 5915 Souart Avenue, uncle and aunt. Mr. Fixman, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Rapoport (nee Judith Malumed), 2226 Noel Street, on August 5, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, a son, Brian Todd; brother of Maria Roberta, aged two and one-half years; and Richard Howard, four; fifth grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Max Malumed, 2112 Bedford Road; and also of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rapoport, 5140 Borden Avenue; seventh great-grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. S. Gold, 2150 Scott Avenue. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rapoport, grandparents. Mr. Malumed, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Saul Kruger (nee Toba Smiley), 4555 Ninth Street, L'Abord a Plouffe, on August 3, at the Jewish General Hospital, a daughter, Donna Elaine; sister of Allan Neal, aged three and one-half years; and Howard, two; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moe Smiley, 4750 Dupuis Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kruger, 5757 Esplanade Avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cutler, 4838 Victoria Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mona Cutler, to Lionel Ravvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ravvin, of Calgary, Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Silver, 725 Caven Circle, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Judith Silver, to Edwin Grossman, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Grossman, 3018 Carlton Avenue.

MICH. SUPREME COURT

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Mr. Feuerstein described the ruling as "an historic contribution to the cause of religious freedom and to the defense of congregations" from groups seeking to undermine the "religious laws, principles and practices" of such congregations. He emphasized that the Michigan ruling went beyond a similar ruling by a New Orleans court last year to establish that "the religious creed of a congregation is to be conformable with its historic character and the presence of the term 'orthodoxy' in the constitution or charter of the synagogue is not essential. The Michigan ruling, he added, also established that "breach" of this historic character deprived those members loyal to it of "property rights as well as religious rights and that, accordingly, the secular courts properly have jurisdiction in such cases."

He cited as "noteworthy" the Michigan high court's statement that, "It is not the responsibility or duty of our civil courts, nor have they any right, to interfere with the practice of religion in any way whatsoever. Under the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, however, it is made equally clear that it is the court's duty to preserve freedom of religion and its practice, and to preserve the rights of minority groups."

The Union president also cited the statement in the ruling that "the majority faction of a local congregation may not, as against a faithful minority, divert the property of the society to another denomination or to the support of doctrines fundamentally opposed to the characteristic doctrines of the society, although the property is subject to no expressed trust." Mr. Feuerstein said that when the proponents of mixed seating rejected the position that issues of Jewish religious law "are rightfully adjudicable by tribunals" of recognized rabbinic authority, they thus gave "further demonstration" that they were expressing "disregard for sacred Jewish law and tradition. They thus forced upon the defenders of synagogue sanctity the alternatives of either yielding religious principle or defending their rights in the courts."

Mr. Feuerstein said that Mr. Brenglass's brief was a "unique achievement in legal research and presentation. It is upon this brief that the historic decision of the Michigan Supreme Court is based." He declared that the decision served notice "to all" that those who are opposed "to sacred Jewish norms have every right, under American freedom, to withdraw from the orthodox synagogue and set up such institutions as they may choose. But they have no right and henceforth may no longer arrogate the power to usurp the religious freedom of their religiously-loyal brethren by imposing heterodox doctrines and practices on orthodox synagogues."

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raeli culture and related subjects." He said that these graduates would be in a position to "introduce into the body politic of Israel a greater awareness of the roots of creative democracy."

Study at the proposed center, Rabbi Weinberg declared, "will prove to be the most beneficial in instilling in the American rabbi a more irrevocable, spiritually fruitful union between the Israeli and American rabbinate." Upon their return to the United States, he explained, American rabbis will be able to strengthen the religious and cultural bonds of the Israeli people and Jews in the United States.

The Council's Yeshivath Hadorom, which was established six years ago, has a student body of 200. Ground for the new center will be broken in the near future, and it is expected to be completed by next year. It will be able to accommodate an additional 300 students.

The delegates approved a campaign for the immediate raising of $500,000 among the Council's membership of more than 750 and also in Orthodox Jewish communities throughout the country, says the New York Times. The delegates re-elected Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, of Far Rockaway, Queens, as president, and Rabbi Solomon J. Sharfman of Brooklyn, as honorary president. The delegates voted to hold their 1961 convention in Israel.

CAME TO U. S.

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world except the United States. During my visit to Israel this spring for the dedication of what Hebrew University has kindly called 'Charcowsky Square' on its new campus, I was again greatly impressed by the tremendous energy and spirit of progress that prevails there. Israel is a country that is in every sense a democracy and requires our close support. The people have to increase their agricultural yield. I know of no better way to show our admiration and respect for the important job they are accomplishing than by helping them obtain their goals. I choose to do so through the fine school of arts and sciences in Jerusalem, the Hebrew University."

Charcowsky, who observed his 75th birthday recently, is keenly interested in the education of young people. Both he and his wife, Viola, are active in the leadership of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. They recently adopted an Israeli family whom they met during a visit to the Holy Land, and have brought one of its members to the United States for her university training, which she will pursue at the University of Miami. He is active in the United Jewish Appeal and Boys Town of Jerusalem. Mr. Charrowsky recently donated $10,000 to the Hebrew Academy of Miami Beach and a similar amount to Columbia Presbyterian-Medical Center in honor of Dr. Alvin L. Barach, Professor of Clinical Medicine at the University.

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A Clothes Closet In The Ghetto

BY RACHMIL BAYER

Hershl Zeif was an emaciated man with a pale, peaked face and lustreless eyes. A native of Kalisz, he had been married in Lodz just before the war. He and his wife, luckily, were able to bring with them into the Ghetto their entire wedding outfit, all their clothes, as well as twin beds, a table, several chairs and a clothes closet.

For a long time Hershl Zeif ran to the Civil Administration every day looking for work. After a while he became exasperated with the false promises of the officials and decided that if you had no "shoulders" (protection) you just couldn't get anything. Now he and his wife spent most of the day in bed — he in one of the twin beds, she in the other — twisting about from hunger and cold, like all their neighbors.

Mrs. Zeif was small and thin, with hollow cheeks and big black eyes. She was a quiet woman who had never raised her voice. Silently, within herself, she endured the pain of hunger and cold. Both she and her husband were positive that the war would end any day.

When the sun rose higher and lavished its rays on the world, brightening their window, Hershl and his wife hung their wedding clothes out to air. There was Zeif's black winter coat with the velvet collar; a blue *kapotte* with a slit back; trousers with a crease and cuffs; a pair of boots and a pair of shoes; a half-dozen white shirts; undershirts; a pair of soft leather bedroom slippers and a hard black hat, round as a coin, with a crescent brim like a new moon.

Mrs. Zeif had a black winter coat; a light summer coat; a suit; several dresses; a plush hat and a hand-knitted hat; underclothes, linen, and four pairs of shoes.

All these things were brand-new, they had never been worn. They were coated with green mildew. After several days in the sun the mildew whitened and then vanished. But after a few days in the house the green mildew appeared again. They decided to air their wedding clothes every day, sunny or not, as long as it didn't rain. They made a pact: one day he hung his clothes outside the sunny window for several hours; the next day she hung hers. The sun never reached the other window, because it was in a corner opposite a high wall.

When Zeif saw that the mildew was gone a smile of pleasure lit up his haggard face: "Yes, the war might end any minute. God can do anything, and we'll go home in our new clothes. Yes, yes, my dear Henye."

His wife nodded in agreement: "That's right."

Hershl Zeif invited his neighbor Bluestein into his home. "Guess how my wife cooked supper today," he said in his weak voice, looking into Bluestein's eyes with a mischievous smile, like a schoolboy trying to confuse a friend with a difficult riddle.

Bluestein looked around, in all the corners, and saw that all was as before: the moldings of the door and windows and walls had long ago been swallowed up by the little kitchen stove. The floor itself could not be ripped up, because they were on the second story and might fall through. Besides, one of "Emperor" Rumkowski's men came in every few days to inspect the floor. Bluestein also saw that the beds, the clothes closet, the table and chairs, were all there. The beds, by the way, were new and modern. The Zeifs had gotten them in exchange for their old oak beds, and were even paid for the difference in weight.

Bluestein wracked his brain. He wanted to guess the answer; he didn't want to be fooled.

"Come on, guess! You can't guess, can you?" Zeif teased him.

"I know!" Bluestein cried confidently. "With the board you got from the tinsmith!"

"Very likely! Why don't you say with last year's snow? That board was used up long ago — even the ashes are gone," Zeif shouted triumphantly.

This was what had happened: It had rained in, and Zeif had to put pans on the beds. After much pleading, the administrator of the buildings in the neighborhood sent him a tinsmith to fix the roof. The tinsmith climbed into the attic, and immediately Zeif heard boards being pried loose over his head. Soon the tinsmith climbed down calmly with a pile of boards under his arm. Zeif started to shout: "You're a robber! You've ruined me! I almost died until you finally got here! Instead of fixing the roof so it shouldn't rain in on me, you destroyed it and are taking home the wood! You've made it worse! Don't you have any feelings?"

"Oh, come on now," the tinsmith replied calmly. "Why should you eat your heart out over such a little thing? The house isn't even yours. Until it rains again the war might end. Look how hot it is. You know it rains very seldom in the summer, and when it does it's hardly more than a drizzle. The roof doesn't even get wet. Anyway, we are having a dry summer, and by the fall we'll all have forgotten that there ever was a war with a Ghetto and with an 'Emperor' Rumkowski."

"God forbid that the war should last until the fall," Zeif interrupted him. "It's lasted almost two years already."

"Of course. Now take a board for yourself for fuel and it'll bring you luck — you'll see the end of the war," and he thrust a board under Zeif's arm.

Zeif thought: "As I live and breathe, the man is right." Aloud, he said: "What can I do with you? Should I report you to the 'Emperor's' police? How can I?" He seized the board with both hands and pointed to Bluestein. "But *he's* the one you have to watch out for. He sees to it that nobody steals any wood."

The tinsmith grew a little frightened, but Bluestein looked at him pityingly and he felt better. Zeif added: "Don't be afraid. By my life, he's a nice man. Huh, Mr. Bluestein? I swear he would never hurt anyone."

The tinsmith left quickly with his bundle and Zeif went into the house with the board and broke it into small pieces for several days' fuel.

Now Zeif asked: "Mr. Bluestein, can you guess what my wife used for fuel when she cooked supper tonight? You can't guess, can you?" "No," said Bluestein firmly.

Zeif opened the closet with the expression of an inventor demonstrating his work. Bluestein saw that everything was shipshape. The glassware, the china; the paper on the shelving lay flat and smooth, and the linen was arranged in neat piles. Bluestein wondered: "What is he trying to show me?"

Zeif could no longer keep from boasting. Quickly he lifted up the paper on the shelving and pointed: "See? Why do I need whole boards for the shelves? Slats are enough." He cut an arc through the air with his thumb, talking with a Gemorah intonation: "So . . . I removed the boards. I chopped up three boards, split two of them into slats, put four slats on each level, laid out the shelving paper with the clothes and all the rest of the things and there are my shelves. Can you tell the difference? Now my wife will be able to cook for a long time."

He pointed to the bunches of wood which he had divided into four sticks each. "More than that isn't necessary. I'm like 'Emperor' Rumkowski with his rations. I dole out rations to my wife. And, thank God, we have what to cook." He showed Bluestein a big heap of cabbage roots.

Not far from Zeif's house there was a large field which the Agriculture Division had rented to one of Rumkowski's officials — formerly a rich man. After the cabbage was picked, Zeif dug out the roots which were hard and bitter, and also took home the wild cabbage leaves which grew near the roots.

Two weeks later Zeif called Bluestein again and said: "Well, be smart and guess with what my wife cooked her cabbage stew today?"

The same game was re-enacted. Bluestein pondered, searched, examined every corner of the house and couldn't find any clues to the riddle. Finally Zeif solved it for him. He flung open the door of the closet. "Why does a closet need a back when it stands against a wall? I removed the back and now I'll have fuel for a long time."

From the roots and wild leaves Mrs. Zeif prepared appetizers, fish, meat, soups, *tsimmes*. She let the cabbage cook awhile and then put in a lot of bicarbonate of soda, because soda boils up in hot water. She thought: it is cooking and at the same time the soda draws out the poisons (cabbage roots will not get soft even over the biggest fire).

From the scum Zeif made "marinated herring" (his own invention). He removed the bulbs from the roots, salted them heavily and let them stand. Then he mixed a little vinegar with water, added some paprika ersatz and saccharin. Into this mixture Zeif dipped his scrap of ersatz bread and sighed with pleasure: "Ah, delicious," smacking his lips as in the good old days over a savory roast. He hummed a Chasidic tune, drumming his fingers on the table in rhythm. "Oh, a delicious marinated herring! Honye, may our enemies never enjoy the like!" His wife nodded in agreement as they ate with relish.

Two weeks later Zeif called in Bluestein again and asked: "Well, guess how my wife cooked today? This time you must guess!" and he pointed to the closet that was covered with a blanket. "See? Today I got still smarter! Why does a closet need a door? Is it bad like this? What's wrong? With the door my wife will be able to cook for a long time, and the closet is still a closet!"

Bluestein touched the closet with one finger and it began to sway. Zeif defended the dignity of the closet: "That's nothing! Who's going to fight with it? A closet doesn't have to be a strong man!" Bluestein agreed that he was a smart, practical man, a real inventor. Zeif tried to smile, but a grimace distorted his face.

The next day Mrs. Zeif, sobbing with terror, called in Bluestein: "Mr. Bluestein, look what's happened to my husband!" Zeif lay in bed unable to move. Overnight he had grown swollen and his head and face huge so that it covered the entire pillow. The bed was too narrow for his body. Zeif said in a weak voice: "Look what happened to me! And all because I have no 'shoulders'!"

Bluestein tried to console him: "Don't worry, Mr. Zeif, the war will end any day now, and we'll go home together." "Yes, Mr. Bluestein, my wife and I haven't even used up our wedding outfit."

"Listen to me, Mr. Zeif, sell some of your wedding clothes and buy yourself some bread and a piece of meat. When you go back you'll get new clothes, maybe even better ones."

"We'll never sell anything from our wedding outfit. I just told you, we didn't even replace any of it. To spite the Germans we'll go home in those clothes!" Bluestein didn't urge him because he didn't want Zeif to doubt that the war would end any day. He said lightly: "Don't worry about the swelling, it's nothing but he was sure that Zeif would soon lose the battle with his hunger. At the door he said: "Mr. Zeif, in the middle of the night I'll come running in to tell you that the war is over!" and he left.

He remembered that he had read in the forbidden "Deutsche Zeitung" the speech by Hans Greixer — may his name be blotted out! — delivered to the Hitler Youth on May 1, 1940, the day when the Ghetto was sealed off with barbed wire: "The Jews are finished," Greixer had said. "Hunger will turn them into mad dogs. They will bite chunks of flesh from each other. They will devour themselves!"

"It's true, we are dying out because of hunger," Bluestein thought, "but we have not become wild beasts. Not only are we not biting chunks of flesh from each other, but we don't even want to exchange a single garment from our wedding outfits for a piece of bread and meat. We don't steal and we don't kill. No, he will not turn us into mad dogs! On the outside we look like corpses but inside we have preserved the image of God."

Early next morning Bluestein went to see how Hershl Zeif was feeling. He was afraid that Zeif had not lasted the night or that he had taken his own life because of his suffering and despair. But Bluestein was surprised! Overnight Zeif had grown as thin as a rail, and his skin was like that of a corpse. He couldn't get off the bed. Again Bluestein consoled him: "See, the swelling is gone! That's a good sign. You're getting better, you'll soon be well. Be patient, Mr. Zeif, we'll go home together."

"Oh, I haven't lost faith yet! What's this nonsense about my getting well soon? I'm not sick! I was never sick in my life! I'm just a little weak from hunger. I have pain — but that's nothing. Do you remember what Greizer — may his name be blotted out! — said in those days? You should remember it. He said: 'The Jews are finished.' Believe me, Mr. Bluestein, it is *they* who are finished! Last night I had a wonderful dream. I saw my father, of blessed memory, and the war was over and I was beating up the Germans and 'Emperor' Rumkowski and his henchmen. I should be as sure of meeting my family again as I am sure that *they* will die an unnatural death!" Zeif ranted in his weak voice.

"It's good, Mr. Zeif, good that you haven't lost faith! I admire you. You'll see, we'll go home together!" Bluestein walked down the stairs thinking: "Who knows what will happen to him? Hunger has already turned him into an obituary. The Angel of Death has placed his mark on him."

A little later Bluestein received the new ration, which contained two kilos of potatoes. He brought one kilo to the Zeifs: "Mrs. Zeif, I'm lending you a kilo of potatoes. When you get your ration you'll give it back. Cook the potatoes right away. They'll be good medicine for Mr. Zeif."

Husband and wife didn't know how to thank Bluestein. They showered blessings on him. With several slivers of wood Mrs. Zeif boiled the potatoes half-raw in their skins. When they were eating, Henye tried to give the larger portion to Zeif and he tried to give the larger portion to her. After eating a little Zeif felt better: "See, Henye, all we need is faith. With God's help we'll survive the war. Do you have any wood left for cooking?" "Yes, for

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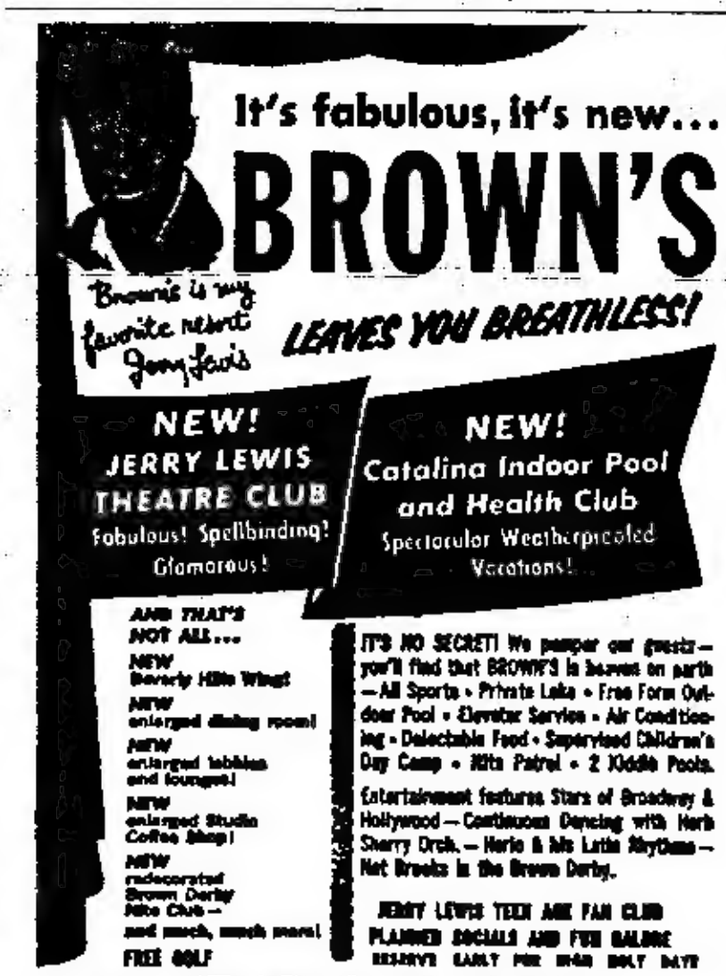
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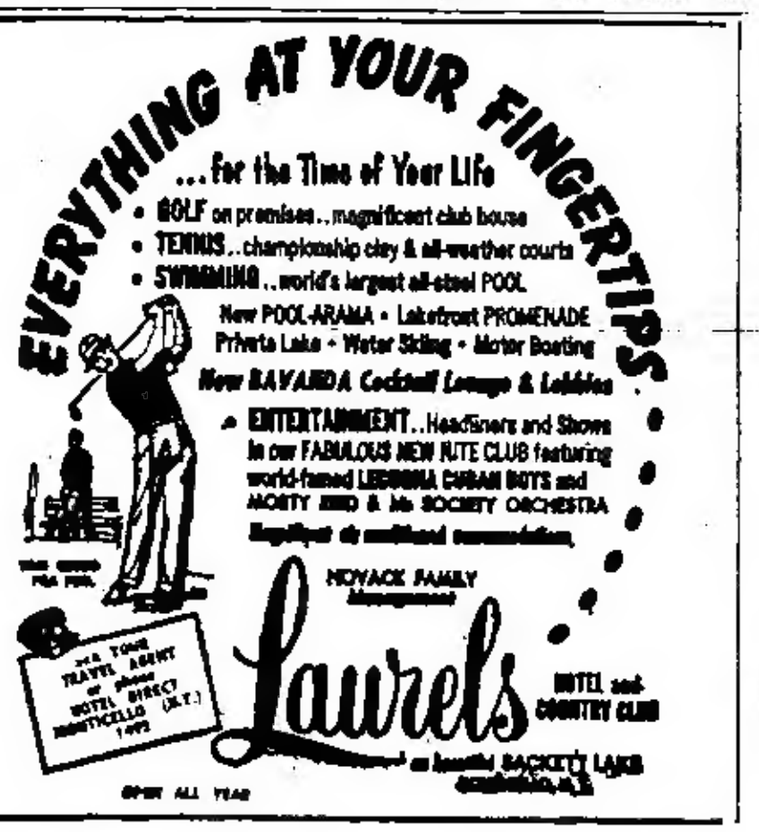
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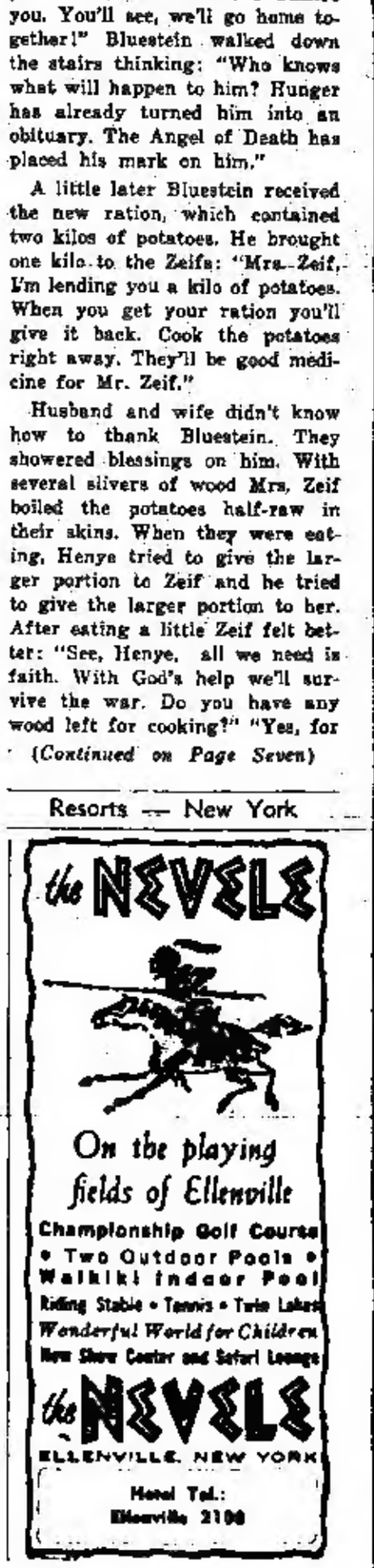
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Glowing Truth Versus Growing Lie! How The New York Times Publisher Translates Ideals Into Action

BY W. LAVEMAN, OF THE FACULTY OF CONGREGATION SHAAR HASHOMAIM, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

When Arthur Hays Sulzberger, publisher of the New York *Times*, enrolled as a young student at Columbia University, he intended to become a sanitary engineer. "A sanitary engineer," his father explained to a friend, "is the man who holds the candle while the plumber does the work."

The elder Sulzberger probably did not realize that he was speaking prophetically, but his son's role in the world has been that of "holding the candle." In interpreting the *Times'* slogan, "All the News that's Fit to Print," Arthur Hays Sulzberger says this means, "If it's a lie, it isn't fit to print."

In an address at the University of Hawaii in 1954, he said: "We must make of our democracy a living thing; that we shall be as fervent in our obedience to principle as our enemies are fanatic in their obedience to propaganda; that we shall set up, for all the world to see, the Glowing Truth as against the Growing Lie. Only thus shall the so-called neutrals come to realize that in the cold war between Freedom and Slavery there can be no neutrals."

In the closing paragraphs of this address, he reiterated his principles as applied to publishing: "Only a press in which freedom and responsibility go hand in hand can invigorate and inform public opinion. When, and only when, such enlightenment is available to everyone, can it be truly said, 'The voice of the people is the Voice of God.'"

The foregoing was not merely speechmaking to impress undergraduates. As a single example of the practical application of this ideal, we cite Sulzberger's action in the midst of the gigantic effort involved in reporting World War II. He assigned the Pulitzer Prize winner, Anne O'Hare McCormick, to the specific task of seeking out threats to civil rights and individual liberties in countries liberated by the Allies. Victory was not enough if it did not bring personal freedom to the people as well.

The Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, in awarding Sulzberger the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters in 1953, cited him as follows: "A worthy scion of a noble family, earnest and reverent Jew who has constantly upheld the ethical teachings of his ancestral faith and has striven consistently to strengthen the intellectual and social foundations of the country and promote world peace, zealous defender of the liberties and responsibilities of the press, creative, far visioned publisher of an outstanding newspaper whose high traditions he has maintained with singular devotion."

Arthur Hays Sulzberger was the son of Philadelphia-born Cyrus L. Sulzberger, whose charitable activities in the country included the founding, with others, of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society and the Hebrew Free Loan. He was a cotton merchant by trade.

Arthur's mother was Rachel Peixotto Hays, a former teacher at Hunter College in New York. The Hays family, of Spain, Portugal, and the Netherlands, had first come to the United States in 1700. A relative was the extraordinary Jacob Hays, described by Meyer Berger in his history of the *New York Times*, as the "two-fisted first chief of the constabulary in New York. Chief Constable Hays had charge of the city policemen who guarded George Washington as he took the first Presidential oath at the sub-treasury building, then Federal Hall. The family were Westchester farmers in the Colonial period and during and after the Revolution. Jacob Hays' portrait still hangs in New York's City Hall." Thus, Sulzberger is doubly blessed in being a Son of the Patriarchs of Israel and also a member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

For many years he was an active member of Congregation Emanu-El in New York, serving on its Board of Trustees. He is also a member of the Central Synagogue, the rabbi emeritus of which is Jonah Wise, Mrs. Sulzberger's uncle. The family is also a member of Mispah Congregation in Chattanooga, Tennessee, the building for which was given to the congregation by Mrs. Sulzberger's father, the late and great Adolph S. Ochs, in honor of his parents.

The religious philosophy of Sulzberger reveals itself in many of the talks he has given. At Knox College in Galesburg, Ill., he said, "Personally, I know of no more convincing evidence of the existence of a Divine Being than this 'spirit not ourselves that makes for righteousness,' this instinct that is in each normal one of us to leave things better than we found them."

His devotion to the highest traditions of Judaism is embodied in his remark that "there is no need to re-phrase the Ten Commandments every time they are spoken." Of that wondrous messianic ideal which is Israel's mission to the world, he has said:

"Grant us peace, Thy most precious gift, O Lord, say the old prayer book. Without peace, the normal blessings of mankind lose their meaning. Yet yearning for peace, no matter how deep and sincere, does not assure peace . . . Peace must be obtained from something that we are prepared to fight for and if necessary, die for. And peace of mind cannot be found in neutrality of mind when the rights of men are at issue; to attempt to achieve it by surrender of principles is to make a fatal compromise. There is no peace where there is no truth, where there is not full freedom for the spirit and the mind."

Sulzberger is a Trustee of Columbia University and was active as chairman of Columbia's Bicentennial Committee. His concept of how all universities start, grow, and serve in free countries, was expressed in the words, "Man's right to Knowledge and the Free Use thereof." This was the focus of the Bicentennial program, which attracted world wide responses.

He holds honorary degrees from many schools, including Dartmouth, Harvard, Brown University, The Jewish Theological Seminary, and the University of Hawaii. He has served as a director on the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, the Society of Friends of Touro Synagogue, the American-Korean Foundation, and many other organizations of similar high humanitarian purpose.

Only recently, he gave up many of his extra-curricular activities, including his board work at Temple Emanu-El, due to ill health and a desire to spend more time with his family. He married Iphigene B. Ochs in 1917. They have a son and three daughters: Arthur; Marian Effie, now Mrs. Orvil E. Dryfoos; Ruth Rachel, now Mrs. Ben Hale Golden; and Judith Peixotto, now Mrs. Richard Cohen. Judith was graduated as a physician; the others are active on the New York *Times* and the Chattanooga *Times*, papers that their grandfather, Adolph S. Ochs, made great.

The practical idealism of Arthur Hays Sulzberger can be found every day in the editorial columns of the *New York Times*. In an editorial on November 22, 1953, entitled, "Mr. Hammarskjold's Report" — the report which urged the status quo, restoring all conditions as they were before the English-French-Israeli attempt to re-take the Suez and suppress the growth of Nasser — the *Times* pointed out:

"It will be necessary to keep in mind that it was the Arab states which, in defiance of the United Nations partition of Palestine which created Israel, attacked that new nation and have constantly threatened its annihilation. It will be necessary to keep in mind that Egypt, in persistent defiance of the United Nations, established a blockade of Israeli shipping, that it was Nasser who precipitated the Suez crisis by seizing the canal in disregard of an international treaty and the established international order, and that he called in Soviet Russia to help him in his lawless ambitions.

"Only when they renounce aggression and lawlessness and consent to serious negotiations for a just and durable peace with Israel and a settlement for the Suez Canal that will safeguard it for all nations under international control, will they be entitled to call on the United Nations for protection and aid."

Today, if the reader does not share the writer's enthusiasm for the *Times* as a 'torch,' let him examine this recent editorial on the Mid East crisis, titled "Our Levantine Follies." Mr. C. L. Sulzberger, nephew of the publisher and one of the most able men in journalism, writes:

"The only steady aspect of our Middle Eastern policy is confusion. During a decade that saw creation of Israel, Nasser's rise, the Suez war and a drumfire of coups and assassinations, the U.S. never managed to define its own fundamental attitudes. Our Levantine follies have been gloriously bi-partisan. Three dilemmas perplexed Washington from the start. We couldn't resolve our determination to sponsor Israel with our craving for Arab friendship. Therefore we wallowed in a trough of indecision. We found ourselves unable to reconcile prejudices against 'colonialism' with a need to support our strongest ally, Britain. And we muddled our analysis of Arab nationalism by always regarding its development in rigid anti-Communist terms. If our policy was correct in 1956 when we backed Cairo against Paris and London, it is incorrect today."

Arthur Hays Sulzberger, in an interview, stated, "Whenever you write about me, for a who's who or a directory, remember to say that I am a Jew."

This article is from the National Jewish Monthly.

(H. Jay Shary is a salesman in Kansas City, but his chief avocation is Jewish education and youth work.)

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How The J. W. B. Brought Hawaiian Jewry Into The Mainstream Of Jewish Life

BY GEORGE PERRY, OF THE JEWISH WELFARE BOARD

While much of the early history of Hawaii is shrouded in mystery, two factors which played an important role in molding it stand out. American Protestant missionaries from New England planted the seeds of education and democrary. In the same spirit, "Missionaries" from the National Jewish Welfare Board, sent to serve the thousands of GIs in the former Territory, were responsible for "Operation Judaism" for the past 40 years. Thanks to their work, the small community of Hawaiian Jewry came into the mainstream of Jewish life.

Israel Weinstein, worker in Hawaii for over a decade in the years after the first World War, summed it up this way in an interview held the very day Congress voted Hawaii into the Union as the 50th State: "Whatever there is of Judaism in Hawaii is due entirely to the efforts of the National Jewish Welfare Board." As America followed its "manifest destiny" after World War I, and became a global power, Hawaii assumed new importance. With thousands of GIs coming to the Territory, JWB had responsibility for serving those of the Jewish faith. In 1920, JWB sent a rabbinical student to Hawaii, who conducted a Seder service. In a sense this was a turning point in the history of the Jewish community, which took part in the services.

The first professional sent by JWB to Hawaii was Alexander Linczer, who came in 1923 and set up the Aloha Center. He conducted religious services in which not only servicemen but the Jewish families in the community took part. These were in effect the only manifestations of Jewish life in the islands, and what there was of it, until the 1930s revolved around the Center. The first real Jewish religious roots were struck with the arrival of Israel Weinstein, who became director of the Center in 1930. He performed a small miracle in serving the GIs and organizing Jewish communal life. Weinstein, a highly skilled, intelligent, and dedicated individual, had a dual role, to serve the Jewish servicemen, and to kindle the sparks of Judaism in the community.

He plunged into the work with the zeal of a missionary. He not only tried to serve the 1,600 Jewish servicemen in the area, but was soon knee-deep in community work. First he had to get quarters. In 1933 he purchased the facilities at 1520 Young Street, which were located in a run-down chapel belonging to the Kawahao Church. In the tiny chapel where he set up modest quarters, he held Sabbath services for children (whom he picked up at their homes). In effect, Weinstein did all a rabbi might be expected to do for there was neither rabbi or chaplain in Hawaii till the start of the second World War.

In his little chapel, Weinstein held Bar Mitzvah classes, ran Purim pageants and Hanukah parties, and gave Hebrew lessons. He performed a number of marriages and even converted one couple to Judaism. Mr. Weinstein carried on until the early war years. In 1941 and 1942 he could count on the help of three Jewish chaplains, Norman Siegel, Gerf Straus, and Joseph Lief. By 1935 Weinstein's efforts had borne fruit. On a visit to Hawaii that year, Dr. Cyrus Adler, chairman of JWB's Army and Navy Committee, reported that "the local Jews have come to rely entirely on JWB and regularly attend its services on the High Holy Days." It was not too long after this, in 1938, that Temple Emanu-El was organized by the little Jewish community. The seeds were beginning to sprout.

When the Japs struck over Pearl Harbor, Weinstein was enlisted by the Governor of the Territory for a huge relief operation. In the early days of the war he did a big job as unofficial representative for the Joint Distribution Committee in aiding in work with the Jewish DPs escaping from Germany, who were streaming into Hawaii from the Orient Over and above this, he played a part in setting up USO in Hawaii, in which JWB became so deeply involved in the war and the years after the war.

The experience gained in its work for GIs and the community made possible the magnificent work of the war years. The philosophy had been sharpened, the goals had been crystallized. The Jewish community had begun to take shape. With hundreds of thousands passing through Hawaii, including thousands of Jewish servicemen, there was a herculean task to be done, on the one hand for the non-Jew and on the other for the Jewish GI. JWB was equal to both as a member agency of USO, and as the only Jewish agency authorized to serve the religious needs of the Jewish soldier. Those who carried on the morale job for JWB in the war years were Seymour Fishman, who was Territorial director for Hawaii, and Aaron (Andy) Grodsky, who served from 1944 to 1946, when he was replaced by Rabbi Emanuel Kumin. At one time there were seven USO-JWB workers in the Territory serving out of the Young Street Center. Gaskell Jacobs, an outstanding leader and dedicated person, was chairman of the JWB Armed Services Committee.

The work of the committee is evidence that JWB efforts to mold a Jewish life had been fruitful. The Jewish community took part actively in its GI programs. Among the most outstanding volunteers during the war years was Mrs. Alexander ("Ma") Linczer, whom Mr. Grodsky described as a "one-man" committee. The JWB directors, with the aid of the community, carried on bagel breakfasts for the GIs, conducted Passover and Rosh Hadassah services, held Oneg Shabbats. But the purchase of new quarters in 1945, following the arrival of the late Benjamin Rabinowitz, then director of JWB's Armed Services Division, led to the expansion of the work.

The new Beretania Club, as it was called, was large, comfortable and beautifully appointed. Thousands jammed the club. At the Beretania, JWB held Saturday Bible classes, and conducted religious services on Friday evening and Saturday. "Operation Judaism" during the war years was aided by the presence in the Territory of some 19 Jewish chaplains. In 1945, for example, according to a report of his visit made by Mr. Rabinowitz, 1,500 Jewish GIs attended seders at Hickam Field in Hawaii. In the same year there were 18 seders sponsored by JWB in the Territory, in which the Jewish chaplains and the Jewish community did a magnificent job.

It was the hospitality efforts of the Jewish community, their active participation in refugee relief campaigns and aid to immigrants enroute to the U.S. from temporary havens in the Pacific, that gave the Jewish population a sense of cohesion which translated itself into a desire for permanent Jewish activities. The Beretania Club became a favorite in the Jewish community and many of its activities were centered there. It has been estimated that the club served some 80,000 GIs of all faiths during the time it was under JWB auspices. In this report in 1945 detailing his work in getting the quarters that became the Beretania Club, Mr. Rabinowitz mentions a conference he held with the following Jewish chaplains: Morton Cohn, Meir Engel, Eric Friedland, Herman Kieval, Leo Lichtenberg, Julius Mark, Selig Miller, Norman Siegel, Herschel Lyman, Mordecai Daina, Roland Gittelsohn, and Leon Rosenberg. Workers who served in the war years in addition to Aaron Gradsky and Seymour Fishman were Jerald Paley, Nathan Rosenberg, Israel Weinstein, (who went home in 1942), Misses Fridele Rosenberg, Toni Nieman, Geraldine Herman and Nancy Castle.

The effort for the Jewish GI, while also serving the Jewish needs of the community, was brought into sharp focus in the early post-war years when the Beretania Club came under the direction of Rabbi Emanuel Kumin, who took over in 1946. He was the first civilian rabbi to serve in Hawaii, and was the leader of the Jewish community. A wide variety of morale and religious work was carried on at the club until 1947 when JWB sold the property. In 1949, for example, a typical year, Rabbi Kumin reported that he conducted 147 Oneg Shabbats and 165 religious services. He performed five marriages and five circumcisions. He officiated at 139 burials of GIs.

In addition to his normal morale job for GIs, Kumin served by an arrangement with the JDC in Hawaii, in a kind of extra-curricular role, aiding the Jewish refugees who were arriving in large numbers from Shanghai. He met every ship, and took care of the immediate needs of the arrivals. Much of the relief work was held at the Beretania Club. In addition Rabbi Kumin read services at the burials of the hundreds of American servicemen who were returned to Hawaii for interment.

Relations with the Jewish community at the time were particularly close. Temple Emanu-El held most of its recreational activities in the Beretania Club. When JWB disposed of the quarters in 1947 and took over the Galen building as its operation, the community used the auditorium of the building as its synagogue. Close cooperation with the Jewish community made possible the Jewish work of Rabbi Kumin; Jewish Book Month and Jewish Music Festival programs, Bible classes, Hebrew sessions, and Jewish discussion groups. Rabbi Kumin was active in the morale job for GIs during the MIKE maneuvers in the islands, when thousands of servicemen jammed the JWB quarters.

Following the return of Rabbi Kumin to the States in 1950, "Operation Judaism" fell chiefly to the Jewish chaplains in that area. From 1948 to the present, the following served: Chaplain Samuel Sobel, Elihu Rickel, Garson Goodman and, currently, Jason Z. Edelstein. When Chaplain Sobel, who had served with Kumin up to 1950 returned in 1952, he found a fairly solid community organization. The community, led by Bernard Levinson, had its own synagogue building on Manoa Road. The first rabbi of the Temple was Francis Hevesi. He was succeeded by Alexander Segal. The Temple's leader today is Rabbi Roy A. Rosenberg. Jewish activities for GIs are now centered in the Aloha Chapel in Pearl Harbor.

It was during Chaplain Sobel's first tour in Hawaii that thousands of war dead were returned from all over the Pacific for burial at the U.S. National Cemetery. He took part daily in these services. At the request of JWB he made a census of known Jewish war dead in Hawaii. His efforts led Temple Emanu-El to inaugurate an annual Yiskor service for the war dead interred at the National Cemetery. During Chaplain Sobel's second tour (1954-56) he reported that the community was host to 500 GIs and their families at a JWB Seder at the Waikiki Hotel. This huge project (1954) was made possible by the efforts of the JWB Armed Services Committee of Hawaii. Active in the Seder project was Meyer Bogost, now chairman of the committee. The Jewish community was now deep in the religious program. In 1955, with JWB aid, the Jewish community held a seder for several hundred at Temple Emanu-El. At the same time Jewish life was flourishing at the Aloha Chapel where Chaplain Sobel and his successors conducted GI program. In 1955 a group of women met at the Aloha Chapel to establish the Sisterhood. Under Chaplain Sobel a "family service" was organized there.

Since 1950, Operation Judaism" in Hawaii has been a magnificent effort of the Jewish chaplains, the Hawaii Armed Services Committee and the Jewish community. Begun in 1920 for the military, it became the seed-bed for the present civilian Jewish community.

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Dr. Israel Elfenbein, a renowned scholar of medieval literature and history, and author of numerous textbooks in this field, explained in presenting the gift that he had made it his hobby for forty years to assemble these volumes into a library dedicated to the memory of his parents, the late Rabbi Philip and Rebecca H. Elfenbein. Among the rare volumes are the letters and Responsa of Rashi, 12th century scholar; Responsa of Rabbenu Hanannel, of Kairuan, 10th century; Book of Minhagim of Rabbi Meir, of Rothenberg, 13th century; and the Anthology of Responsa Literature of the Orient and Occident from the 10th to the 18th century.

With the addition of this library, valued at over one hundred thousand dollars, to its other libraries, Torah Vodaath has moved forward another step in its ambitious cultural program which has already brought the erudition of the ages to more than ten thousand students from almost everywhere. It has an enrollment of 1700 students.

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CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO PLENARY SESSION

Contributors to Congress* will have the right to elect 52 delegates to represent them at the forthcoming 12th Plenary Session of Congress. Notice is hereby given that the said elections will be held at 493 Sherbrooke Street West, on September 13th 1959, at 10:00 A.M. Nominations signed by at least three eligible contributors must reach Congress office, 493 Sherbrooke Street West, not later than September 4th 1959.

This election is separate from and additional to the election of delegates representing recognized organizations.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

S. D. Cohen, Chairman, Elections Committee
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*Contributors to the Combined Jewish Appeal in Montreal are so qualified.

MONTREAL MEETINGS

● SHAAR SHALOM SISTERHOOD ●

L'Abord a Plouffe, Sisterhood fall fashion show is on Tuesday, September 15, 8.30 p.m., at Chevra Kadisha-Bnai Jacob Synagogue. Mrs. W. Berger, 4597 Eighth Street, will be convener. Mesdames Joel Zikman, 3085 Eighth Street; and M. Cohen, 556 Sixty-eighth Avenue, are on the refreshment committee. Mrs. David Rosen, 545 Ninetieth Avenue, is the ticket convener. The commentator is Doris Clark, C.J.A.D. woman's editor. The pianist will be Miss Nancy Berke, member of the Sisterhood. The opening meeting of the Sisterhood will take place on Monday, August 31, at 8:45 p.m. at the New Synagogue, 493 — Eighty-third Avenue, L'Abord a Plouffe. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Louis Goldberg, on "Why Sisterhood?"

● TEMPLE EMANU-EL ●

Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi: Rabbi Bernard Bloomstone, a member of the Hebrew Union College staff and now doing post-graduate studies at Harvard University, will be associated with Dr. Stern in conducting the High Holy Day services. Two groups of the Temple Youth Society will attend Camp Tevia, in Brookline, N. H., during August 25 to August 31, and September 1 to September 7, with the New England Federation of Temple Youth. They are: August 25 to 31, Helena Ansil, Isobel Marks, Sally Putziger, Marilyn Solowey, Sylvia Ullman; Sept. 1 to 7, Marlene Albright, Arlene Bellam, Tom Paskal, Marilyn Rittenberg, Peter Roston, Gordon Schwartz, Norman Stein, Justine Stern.

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dity are not part of my make-up. I delivered a contemptuous and scorching tirade, which humiliated some and angered more of my audience. Needless to say, it did not help the case of my client, though I was given to understand that in subsequent years it moderated the attitude of that hospital to our people.

In view of all the preceding events, I felt that now was the time to strike at our potential givers and contributors and I called a meeting of these at my house. The late Mr. Wolofsky wrote and published a very interesting little autobiography, entitled "Journey of My Life", which deals with his early experience, but mainly with his many years of association with the development of our community, as a publisher and as an active participant. I now quote from his book (page 119) in regard to that meeting.

"It was felt therefore that a Jewish hospital was an imperative necessity. Our paper, in fact, had carried on a continuous agitation for the idea; finally a meeting was held at the home of Dr. Norman Viner. At that meeting there were present, apart from the representatives of the medical profession, Jack Jacobs, Maxwell Goldstein, Peter Bercovitch, his brother, Dr. A. Bercovitch, Samuel Bronfman, Allan Bronfman, (the Bronfmans had already begun their record of untiring local communal activity), Lyon Cohen, Samuel Jacobs, Asher Pierce, and H. Wolofsky (and let me, (N. V.) add Michael Hirsch and a number of others). The meeting decided to raise half a million dollars for this project; towards this objective the Jewish doctors pledged fifteen thousand dollars. However, the idea for a Jewish hospital was not immediately put into action: opposition arose among those whom communal duty and social pressure would have forced to donate larger sums".

In any case, there was no cessation to the agitation. We addressed more meetings and, occasionally, individuals as well and Mr. Wolofsky and Dr. Max Wiseman, like a Dutch uncle, lectured the profitable Hebrew Loan Societies, practically challenging them to contribute from their coffers and thus, by actual demonstration, set an example to the "moneyed" people and really helped to get the project going. This procedure undoubtedly acted as a goad to some of our reluctant compatriots. Finally, at my instigation, several months later, a selected mass meeting was called at the old Baron de Hirsch building on Bleury Street.

There was a fairly large attendance of our "comfortable citizens and the interchange of ideas was forceful and bit hectic at times. An amusing item was the accusation by some of the more reluctant ones, "Dr. Viner is trying to force down our throats a Jewish hospital which the community doesn't need and cannot afford". To this, my retort was that the coming campaign would go on with irresistible force and that as soon as they realized that fact the objectors would eagerly rush to get on the band-wagon. And to their eternal credit they did. And so the campaign for a Jewish hospital, launched a few months later, by more capable hands, culminated in a brilliant success.

My activities, in that regard, ceased with the onset of the actual campaign in 1928. Similarly, once the Jewish General Hospital was opened in 1934, and gave a home to our compatriots, to our Jewish practitioners, and to our Montreal Clinical Society, I stopped being its chronic president and practically suspended my activities in that organisation. I wish, again, to salute the workers who since 1928 exerted themselves so ably towards the birth and growth of the Montreal Jewish Hospital.

A CLOTHES CLOSET

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a few more times," she replied with satisfaction. "See, Henye, the closet is still a closet," he smiled.

And they dipped the potatoes in salt and ate them unpeeled because the Ghetto Jews said: "The peel is healthy. In the peel there is iron and under it is sugar, and that's why cattle are so healthy and strong — because they eat the peel."

Translated from Yiddish by Ada Fogel for the Jewish Frontier.

BEN-GURION

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privileges, but its scope is limited to handling reparations spending.

In 1952 West Germany indicated a desire to establish ties with Israel, the source said, but at that time the coalition Government headed by Mr. Ben-Gurion was opposed to the idea. "Since then there has been considerable loosening of the objections against this," the Foreign Ministry official said. "I believe you would find a different attitude if the matter came up today."

A Bonn official told the New York Times that West Germany had been interested in purchasing mortar shells from Israel because they were cheap. An official Israeli source said that Israel's small munitions industry, which is subsidized by the Government, was sometimes able to offer arms for sale at the lowest prices in the world market. As Israel has done with many other products, certain types of arms could be sold at a loss in order to attract buyers and establish the quality of Israeli products.

Cards Of Thanks

GORELIK — The family of the late Morris Gorelik wish to thank their relatives and friends for their many acts of kindness and sympathy during their recent bereavement in the loss of a beloved husband, father and grandfather.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DIVORCE

NOTICE is hereby given that FLORIAN POISSANT, Salesman, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the next or following Session thereof, for a Bill of Divorce from his wife HUGUETTE COALLIER, housewife, of the City of Lachine, in the District of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, on the ground of adultery.

Dated at Montreal in the Province of Quebec on this 31st day of July, 1959.

Spector & Schecter,
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TAKE NOTICE that John Priestley, shipper, of the city and district of Montreal, Province of Quebec, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the next or following ensuing Session thereof for a Bill of Divorce from his wife, Flora Paradis, secretary, of the city and district of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, on the grounds of adultery.

Montreal, August 18th, 1959.
Abraham Cohen,
Attorney for Petitioner,
1117 St. Catherine Street West,
Suite 602,
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TAKE NOTICE that Grace Kara, housewife, of Ville St. Michel, District of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, will apply to the Parliament of Canada, at the next or following ensuing Session thereof for a Bill of Divorce from her husband, Clifford Frank Forshaw, insurance agent, of the City and District of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, on the grounds of adultery.

Montreal, August 24th 1959
ABRAHAM COHEN
Attorney for Petitioner
1117 St. Catherine Street West
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Sees Jewish Youth In Need Of Modern Guide

One of the leading officials of the Reconstructionist Foundation warned that the American Jewish educational system runs the risk of producing a generation of "Jewish beatniks" unless it can give young Jews "straightforward, realistic and constructive" answers to their questions. The gloomy forecast was made by Dr. Ira Eisenstein, of New York, editor of "The Reconstructionist," official organ of the Reconstructionist Foundation, and a former president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, addressing about one hundred teen-age regional officers of the Bnai Brith Youth Organization at a three-week Leadership Training Institute at Camp Bnai Brith, at Starlight, Pa.

The delegates to the Institute were selected for leadership potential. They were granted scholarships from the national Bnai Brith Youth Organization and their local Bnai Brith adult communities. "Jewish youth no longer wants to run away from the Jewish heritage, they want to adopt it," Rabbi Eisenstein told them. "But they recognize that they cannot live with it as it has been handed down to them. Unfortunately, they have, by and large, found few teachers prepared to adapt it to their needs and to the times in which we live." A former rabbi of Anshe Emet Synagogue in Chicago, Ill., one of the largest congregations in the country, Dr. Eisenstein said that Jewish young people, particularly those in leadership positions in Jewish youth organizations, are in desperate need of a "modern guide to the perplexed."

Today's young Jew, Rabbi Eisenstein said, "may or may not know some Hebrew, some Jewish history, some current events, or some rituals, but he has only the vaguest notions about what it means to believe in God, what approach to take to the legalistic conception of ritual, or the relation of all of it to the ethical way of life.

"The challenge presented by this generation cannot for long be ignored. The age that produced beatniks should look well to the meaning of those confused and desperate characters. If we are not to have a crop of Jewish beatniks the Jewish community had better bestir itself and give answers that are straightforward, realistic, and constructive. Youth is willing now to be educated but will our adult leadership meet this challenge?"

Bnai Brith Official Cites Job Bars To Jews

Despite widespread fair employment and educational laws, Jews are "virtually barred" from executive jobs in major insurance companies, banks and public utilities, a civil rights expert said in New York. Arnold Forster, national civil rights director of Bnai Brith, said this situation prevailed in the higher echelons of many industries, says the New York Times. Mr. Forster, who is also the general counsel of the Anti-Defamation League of the organization, addressed 250 millinery industry leaders at a luncheon in the Astor Hotel, sponsored by the Joint Defense Appeal of the American Jewish Committee, honoring Miss Helen Green, a millinery executive, for her philanthropic endeavors.

Mr. Forster said the League had found hostility against Jews persisting "in subtle fashion," with "important disabilities resulting." "The great medical schools of our land seem, by some unique acident, to admit the same percentage of Jewish students to their schools each year," he said. "Many of the nation's important social-business clubs bar Jews from membership."

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THE ACT FORBIDS an employer to refuse to employ a person or to discriminate against an employee because of his RACE, RELIGION, COLOUR, or NATIONAL ORIGIN. An employer is also forbidden to use an employment agency which practices such discrimination, or to publish employment advertising which is discriminatory, or to use discriminatory questions, written or oral, in connection with applications for employment.

THE ACT ALSO FORBIDS discriminatory action by trade unions in regard to union membership or employment on the grounds of RACE, RELIGION, COLOUR or NATIONAL ORIGIN.

ANY PERSON MAKING A COMPLAINT under the provisions of the Act, or giving evidence or assistance in proceedings under the Act, is protected from any retaliatory action that may be taken against him.

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Social Notes — Toronto

The Ambassador of Israel to Canada and Mrs. Arthur Lourie, of Ottawa, who were here at the Park Plaza Hotel, received at a luncheon to commemorate the opening of the Israel Pavilion at the Canadian National Exhibition. Among the three hundred guests at the luncheon were: Ariah Manor, of New York, Israeli Economic Minister to North America; Gideon Strauss, of New York, president of the Bank Leumi Le-Israel BM; and M. P. Hassoun, of Israel, assistant general president of the Bank in Israel. Mayor Nathan Phillips cut the ribbon to open the first exhibit of Israel at the Exhibition.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Minden, 285 Forest Hill Road, entertained in honour of the Ambassador to Israel to Canada, Arthur Lourie, and Mrs. Lourie, of Ottawa, Ontario.

Dr. and Mrs. Arnold A. Epstein, 174 Old Forest Hill Road, returned after a week's stay in Interlock, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin A. Goodman, 855 Cortleigh Boulevard; Mr. and Mrs. David B. Goodman, 808 Glenayr Road; Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Cooper, 80 Old Forest Hill Road; and Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Cadsby, 64 Bannockburn Avenue, will attend the Canadian Bar Association meeting in Vancouver, B. C., from August 31, to September 5.

Dr. and Mrs. William E. Goodman, 197 Coldstream Avenue, are touring Europe for six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Papoff and children, Gerald and Evelyn, formerly of 286 Christie Street, have taken up residence at 29 Rondale Boulevard.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Strasberg, 73 De Quincy Boulevard, spent a vacation at Crystal Beach, Ontario.

Mrs. Harry Silverstein, 9 Lynnhaven Road, motored to Crystal Beach for a five-week stay.

Mrs. Jack Stericker, 25 Paula Avenue, and children, Billy and Brenda, motored to Kitchener, Ontario, to visit her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Neir, for a week. Mr. Stericker joined her and they spent a week camping at Algonquin Park.

Miss Elaine Rodda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rodda, 299 Lawrence Avenue, was in Miami Beach, Florida; Cuba; and Nassau, The Bahamas, for six weeks.

Miss Renee Silverstein, aged seventeen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Silverstein, 9 Lynnhaven Road, is spending the summer at Camp Bnai Brith, as a senior counsellor.

Mrs. Esther Goldenberg and son, Joe Goldenberg, formerly of 618 Dovercourt Road have taken up residence at 4979 Bathurst Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rosen and children, Steven and Karen, 112 Fairholme Avenue, motored to Cleveland, Ohio, where they spent a week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kritzer.

Rochelle, aged thirteen years, and sister, Barbara, eleven, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Weldman, 24 Wasdale Crescent, are spending their vacation at Camp Massad, in Torrance, Ontario.

Here for the marriage of Miss Marie Fine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fine, 17 Chiltern Hill Road, to Samuel Rubin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rubin, of Moncton, N. B., were Mr. and Mrs. Saul Shanes, of Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Mrs. John Swartz, 39 Bellevue Avenue, and Mrs. Samuel Goldsmith, 286 Searle Avenue, are flying via Trans-Canada Airlines to Long Island, N. Y., for a week's holiday.

Mrs. Albert Dubin, of Detroit, Mich., arrived via Trans-Canada Airlines, on the occasion of the birth of her grandson, Marc Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Silverman. Mr. Dubin will join her later.

Mrs. Anna Taub and children, Ethel, Mira, and Hema, 815 Brunswick Avenue, are spending the summer in Port Carling, Ontario.

Mrs. Benjamin Switzman, 24 Christine Crescent, spent two weeks in Gravenhurst, Ontario.

The Countess of Listowel, the former Miss Stephanie Wise, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wise, 36 Elway Court. She is the wife of William Francis Hare, the Seventh Earl of Listowel, and the Governor General of Ghana.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Weinroth, 52 Roberta Drive, entertained at a garden party at their home, in honour of the fourth birthday of their twin sons, Charles Eldon and Laurie Sheldon. They are the grandsons of Mr. and Mrs. Max Rosenberg, 85 Hove Street; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weinroth. Mrs. Weinroth wore a white dress, of black and grey print pattern, styled with short sleeves; key-hole-shaped neckline; and a sheath skirt. It had white pearl buttons down the front of the dress, and patch pockets, with a matching belt. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. John Freedman and Gary, 141 Combe Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Max Rosenberg, 85 Hove Street; Mr. and Mrs. Simon Feld, Phillip Michael, and Steven Elliot, 85 Hove Street; Mr. and Mrs. Alec Borinson, and Gale, 52 Covington Road; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Soren, Barbara, and Richard Steven, 107 Canborne Road; Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Rosenberg, and Susan Jaye, 82 Southgate Avenue; all uncles and aunts. The table decorations consisted of a watermelon in the shape of a basket with yellow, pink, and red roses on the handle. The cake was white with blue and pink birds and rosebuds, set on a yellow table cloth.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Sugar, 24 Aldburn Road, returned via Trans Canada Airlines, after spending a few days in New York.

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Tanzman, of Saint John, N. B., were in Edinburgh, Scotland, for the combined meetings of the Canadian and British Medical Associations, and then were on a tour of Europe.

Dr. Wilfred Copeland, of Spokane, Washington, arrived via Trans-Canada Airlines, to spend a week with his brother, A. H. Capland, 16 Newbury Lane, whom he has not seen in forty-eight years. Dr. Copeland is the uncle of Mr. and Mrs. M. Kaman, 16 Newbury Lane; and of Mr. and Mrs. S. Capland, 12 Newbury Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Ian Myers, formerly of 500 Markham Street, have taken up new residence at 44 Camborne Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Walters, of Long Island, New York, and their daughter Sandra, visited with their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. V. Vigon, 16 Hotspur Road, for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Himel, of Windsor, formerly of Toronto, were here for a farewell party, given by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Himel, 487 St. Clements Avenue, on his departure to Europe, via Trans-Canada Airlines, for three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Manny Davidson, and children, Carol, Lorne, and Janice, 52 Diana Drive, returned by car after spending a two-week vacation in Muskoka.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jerry and sons, Gordon, Michael and Howard, 550 Bedford Park, have returned by car after spending a two-week holiday at Cape Cod, Mass.

Miss Esther Rich, 678 Crawford Street; and Miss Judith Caplan, 300 Grace Street, will spend a two-week vacation in Hawaii.

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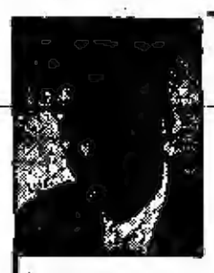
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Here for the marriage of Miss Arlene Avruskin, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris John Avruskin, of Salem, to William Lawrence Soles, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Soles, 66 Strathearn Road, on August 25, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, were: Paul Soles, brother of the groom, of London, Ont., who was best man; Mrs. Joseph Rubin, aunt of the groom; and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Rubin, and Jody, cousins of the groom, all of Los Angeles, Calif; Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Goodfellow, uncle and aunt of the groom, of West Hempstead, Long Island, N. Y.; Mrs. Sophie Goodfather, aunt of the groom, of Brookline, Mass.; Mrs. William John, cousin of the groom, of Yellow Springs, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mankoff, uncle and aunt of the bride, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gorbett, uncle and aunt of the bride, of Welland, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zeilig, uncle and aunt of the groom, and Lauren and Charles, of Windsor, Ont.; Rabbi and Mrs. Gene Klein, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Foster, Mr. and Mrs. S. Lebow, Mr. and Mrs. L. Lichtenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Max Levine, Mr. and Mrs. David Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Myer Sugarman, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Talbot, Mr. and Mrs. Max Rosenberg, Mrs. Pearl Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pilkey, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Plyley, Mrs. L. Raetzan, Mr. and Mrs. David Walters, Mrs. Judith Walters, Mr. and Mrs. J. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wexler, Abe Acker, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Bernstein, all of Guelph; Louis Rodney, uncle of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garshowitz, Mrs. Samuel Garshowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Freedman, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Till, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Levy, Mr. and Mrs. M. Liberman; Dr. and Mrs. M. Jeremias, cousins of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robins, Mr. and Mrs. A. Schechter, Mr. and Mrs. L. Mitchnick, Mr. and Mrs. David Garshowitz, Mr. and Mrs. P. Caplan; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Borovoy, cousins of the bride, all of Hamilton, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. Avrum Gorbet, Mrs. Ben. Gorbet, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Gorbet, cousins of the bride, all of Owen Sound, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. Taraday, Mr. and Mrs. L. Taraday, Mr. and Mrs. W. Taraday, Mrs. Ida Templeton, all of Kitchener, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. David Tobe, Miss Pat Brohman, all of Fergus, Ont.; Dr. and Mrs. S. Tobe, Dr. and Mrs. C. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Max McRae, all of Elora, Ont.; Mrs. Harry Gorbet, cousin of the bride, of Hanover, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Henry, of Dundas, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Simon, of Chesley, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Elliot, of Brantford, Ont.; Mrs. Harry Rachlin, of Buffalo, N. Y.; and a cousin of the bride, the Countess of Listowel, the former Miss Stephanie Wise, the wife of the Earl of Listowel, the Governor General of Ghana.

Guests at the Gateway Hotel, at Gravenhurst, Muskoka, were Mrs. L. Budd, 611 Woburn Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. M. Stulberg, 100 Madison Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. H. Silver, 42 Glencedar Road; Mr. and Mrs. L. Robbins, 18 Model Avenue; Mrs. A. Spain, 201 Raglan Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. D. Kwinter, 96 Searle Avenue; Mrs. J. Simon, 25 Roberta Drive; Mr. and Mrs. E. Silverberg, 681 Briar Hill Avenue; Mrs. D. Shabason, 88 Regina Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. M. Schnier, 56 Manor Haven Road; Miss Rose Bochner, 1071 Eglinton Avenue West; all of Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. M. Natel, 162 Tolton, Hamilton, Ont.

MARRIAGES

SANDLER-GLASS

The marriage of Miss Rita Henna Glass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Glass, 9 Menin Road, to Norman Martin Sandler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sandler, 347 Northcliffe Boulevard, was solemnized at Beth Sholom Synagogue, on August 23, at five o'clock, by Rabbi David Monson, assisted by Cantor Samuel Frankel. The bride was given in marriage by her parents. She wore a long gown of silk organza trimmed with seed-pearl-beads. It had a bodice of white lace, with scalloped neckline appliqued with lace and seed-pearl-beads; and a full, bouffant skirt. Her fingertip veil of silk illusion was attached to a crown of pearl-beads and rhinestones, and she carried a cascade of white chrysanthemums and roses. The matron of honour was Mrs. Irving Glass, sister-in-law of the bride. She wore a strawberry-pink gown of silk organza which was made with a full, bell-shaped skirt, and a ruffled effect in the front. She had a matching headpiece and carried a bouquet of Talisman roses. The bridesmaids were: Mrs. David Platnick, sister of the groom; Mrs. Harvey Shapiro, cousin of the bride; Misses Rose Halman, Carol Warren, Eleanore Glass, Vivian Glass, Shereen Glass, all cousins of the bride, and each in a gown of turquoise-blue, with petal effects on the bodice; and bell-shaped harem-skirts, draped on both sides. They had matching headpieces and carried bouquets of white and yellow roses. The best man was David Platnick, brother-in-law of the groom. The ushers were: Dr. Irving Glass, brother of the bride-elect; Walter Shankman, cousin of the groom; Jerry Glass, Nathan Rotstein, Ralph Rabinowitz, cousins of the groom; Tom Gunzler, Leon Mills, Cecil Shear, and Dr. Henry Ross. The synagogue was decorated with standards of white and pink flowers. Mrs. Glass, mother of the bride, wore a long, champagne-coloured gown trimmed with lace and pearl-beads; and a matching headpiece. Mrs. Sandler, mother of the groom, wore a champagne-coloured gown of silk organza with a ruffled effect. Each carried a corsage of Talisman roses. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sandler spent their honeymoon in Miami Beach, Florida. The bride travelled in a two-piece, white, fitted suit. They will reside at 42 Saranac Boulevard. Here for the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Monson, Mr. and Mrs. I. Agulnick, Mr. and Mrs. M. Agulnick, all of Ottawa, Ont; Mr. and Mrs. L. Greenbloom, of Belleville, Ontario; Mr. and Mrs. M. Katz, cousins of the bride, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Shaffer, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. A. Silbert, of Hamilton, Ont.; Dr. and Mrs. B. Waxman, cousin of the bride, of London, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Zidel, Oakville, Ont.; Mrs. Ida Cohen, great-aunt of the groom, of Windsor, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. N. Edell and sons, Mark, and David, uncle and aunt of the bride, of Syracuse, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. D. Platnick, brother-in-law and sister of the groom, of Rochester, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. S. Schafler, cousins of the groom, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. L. Wagman, cousins of the groom, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. M. Wagman, great-uncle and great-aunt of the groom, of Circle City, Wittman, Arizona.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. Max Chapnick, 466 Coldstream Avenue, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Merle Rochelle Chapnick, to Irving Myer Himel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin A. Himel, 640 Roselawn Avenue, on Tuesday, September 8, at half-past five o'clock, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, with Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg officiating.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Max Hartstone, 162 Ava Road, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Nancy Hartstone, to Barry Freeman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Freeman, 219 Ranee Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Raider, 1713 Bathurst Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sheila, to Paul Roth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Roth, 152 Glen Cedar Road. The marriage will take place on May 24, at the Adath Israel Synagogue, Rabbi Erwin Schild officiating.

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Levy (nee Barbara Grainer), 253 Vaughan Road, on August 14, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Tina Sharon; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Grainer, 253 Vaughan Road; and of Max Levy, 142 Vaughan Road; great-granddaughter of Mrs. A. Gainer, 58 Montose Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Klein (nee Marcia Rovet), 829 Wilson Avenue, on August 15, at the Toronto General Hospital, a daughter, Barbara Lynn; sister of Steven, aged five years; and of Howard, three and one-half; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rovet, 59 Catherine Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Moishe Klein, of Montreal, Quebec.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Stein (nee Morley Field), 117 Whitburn Crescent, on August 16, at the New Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Mark Jaye; brother of David Elliot, aged four and one-half years; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Field, 660 Eglinton Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lichten, 6 Windley Avenue; great-grandson of Mrs. Sara Lichten, 60 Nassau Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Freedman (nee Dawn Joseph), 34 Blue Forest Drive, on August 14, at the New Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, David Warren; brother of Bonnie, aged twenty-two months; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Freedman, 650 Briar Hill Road; and of Mrs. Goldie Joseph, 34 Blue Forest Drive.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Goldstein (nee Evelyn Klinger), 190 Borden Street, on August 14, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Susan Diane; sister of Saul Brian, aged two years; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Klinger, 190 Borden Street; and of Reuben Goldstein, 219 Palmerston Avenue, and of the late Mrs. Ann Goldstein; great-granddaughter of Mrs. S. Weinberg, 40 Orchard Crescent.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Beckerman (nee Ruth Burnatt), 3270 Bathurst Street, on August 16, at Women's College Hospital, a daughter, Stacy Rhea; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burnatt, 70 Searle Avenue; and of Morris Beckerman, 14 Saranac Boulevard, and the late Mrs. Sarah Beckerman; great - granddaughter of Mrs. R. Sher, 517 Brunswich, Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Weldman (nee Frances Fine), 136 Kennard Avenue, on August 4, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Lori Gail; sister of Allan Jay, aged two and one-half years; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fine, 17 Chiltern Hill Road; and of Mr. and Mrs. Asher Weldman, 161 Times Road.

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DEATHS

Nathan Fleishman, 8 Lyndhurst Court, died at the Bayerest Hospital, on Monday, August 17, at the age of eighty-five years. He is survived by two sons: Maurice, 191 Glen Cedar Road; David, 6 Lyndhurst Court; two daughters: Mrs. Frederick Kavisky (Ida); Mrs. Hyman Margolis (Rae), both of Detroit, Mich.; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Rabbi Aaron Zimmerman officiated at funeral services. Interment was at Roselawn Avenue cemetery. Shiva was at the home. Mr. Fleishman was a member of Pride of Israel Synagogue.

Louis Altstedter, 800 Eglinton Avenue West, died at the Baycrest Hospital, on Wednesday, August 19, at the age of seventy years. He is survived by two sons: Norman, of New York; and Arthur, 14 Meadowbrook Avenue; a brother, Irving, of New York; a sister, Mrs. Sophie Barron, of New York; and three grandchildren: Toba, Enid, and Beverly, children of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Altstedter. Rabbi M. G. Celniker officiated at funeral services at Beth Tzedec Synagogue. Interment was at Beth Tzedec Memorial Park. Shiva was at 14 Meadowbrook Avenue. Mr. Altstedter was a member of Beth Tzedec Synagogue; Bnai Brith; and Ben Zion Organization.

Mrs. Fannie Osler, 843 College Street, died at her home, on Monday, August 17, at the age of eighty-seven years. She is survived by her husband, Abraham Osler; two sons: Peter Osler, 636 Woburn Avenue; Charles Osler, of the United States; Miss Rose Osler, 843 College Street; two grandchildren: Martin Osler and Mrs. S. Grossman (Sybil), children of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Osler; and two great-grandchildren: Joel and Bruce, children of Mr. and Mrs. S. Grossman, of Moorestown, N. J. Rabbi B. Rosensweig officiated at the funeral services at College Memorial Chapel. Interment was at Dawes Road Cemetery. Shiva was at 636 Woburn Avenue.

Nathan Hoffman, 277 Betty Ann Drive, died at the Doctors' Hospital, on Friday, August 14, at the age of seventy-five years. He is survived by three daughters: Mrs. Harry Tobe (Ann), 277 Betty Ann Drive; Mrs. William Gryfe (Polly), 9 Wynn Road; Mrs. Benjamin Lipton (Shirley), 133 Wembley Road; a son, Samuel, 82 Burnaby Boulevard; twelve grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Rabbi G. Felder officiated at the funeral services at Beth Jacob Synagogue. Interment was at Lambton Cemetery. Shiva was at the home. Mr. Hoffman was a member of Beth Jacob, Newyorker, Keltzer, and Minsker Synagogues, Old Fellows Temple; and Hebrew Friendly Society.

John Green, 21 Tichester Road, died at his home, on Sunday, August 16, at the age of seventy-two years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rose Green; a daughter: Miss Selma Green, 21 Tichester Road; a son, Harold, 61 Neptune Drive; four brothers: Louis, 565 Roselawn Avenue; Frank and Abraham, of Detroit, Mich., Daniel, of Peterboro, Ontario; two sisters: Mrs. Kenneth Gerber (Tillie), of Michigan; and Mrs. Saul Pearlman (Esther) of Detroit, Mich. Rabbi M. G. Celnicker officiated at funeral services at Beth Tzedec Synagogue. Interment was in Beth Tzedec Cemetery. Mr. Green was a member of the Synagogue.

Abraham Richman, of the Baycrest Hospital, died on Wednesday, August 5, at the Baycrest Hospital, at the age of seventy-eight years. He is survived by two sons: Herman Richman, of Flint, Michigan; Ralph Richman, 436 Wilson Avenue; three daughters: Mrs. Ann Lassman, of London, England; Mrs. H. Vigon (Mary), 14 Walmer Road; Mrs. D. Vigon (Fay), 16 Hotspur Road; one sister: Mrs. Hetty Cohen, of London, England; seventeen grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Rabbi Morton Green officiated at the funeral services held in Hamilton, Ontario. Shiva was at 16 Hotspur Road. Mr. Richman was a member of the Congregation Agudas Achim Anshe Sfard.

Cards Of Thanks

WEISS: The family of the late Mrs. Rose Weiss (nee Cohen), 48 Florence Street, wish to thank their relatives, friends and neighbours for their kindness and many expressions of sympathy during their recent sad bereavement; and special thanks are expressed to Rabbi Gedalia Felder.

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Silverberg (nee Pearl Cooper), 10 Glen Park Avenue, on July 1, at the New Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Keith Brian; brother of Jeffery, aged six years; Sheryl, five; and Allan, three; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Cooper, 108 Dell Park; and of Mrs. Molly Silverberg, 57 Dell Park.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rybak (nee Ruth Schwartz), 127 Hillmount Avenue, on August 15, at the New Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Sandra Janet; granddaughter of Jacob Schwartz, 125 Hillmount Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoffman (nee Ellen Pieske), 188 Clendenan Avenue, on August 14, at Women's College Hospital, a son, Gordon Michael; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoffman, of Berlin, Germany; and of Mr. and Mrs. Erich Pieske, 188 Clendenan Avenue; great-grandson of Franz Kotulla, of Berlin, Germany.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Kahn (nee Sylvia Solomon), 183 Clifton Avenue, on August 18, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Randy Lee; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Solomon, 3257 Bathurst Street; and of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Kahn, 2004 Bathurst Street; great-grandson of Morris Kahn, of Cardiff, South Wales.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Silverman (nee Roslyn Dubin), 226 Wilmington Avenue, formerly of Detroit, Mich., on August 17, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Mare Alan; first grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Silverman, 94 Fairleigh Crescent; and of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dubin, of Detroit, Mich.; great-grandson of Mrs. Ann Lupuk, 22 Montrose Avenue; and of E. Silverman, 125 Wilson Avenue. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Schwartz, 261 Maxwell Avenue, uncle and aunt.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Franklin (nee Merel Binstock), 885 Dundas Street West, on June 24, at the Wellesley Hospital, a daughter, Rhonda Carol; sister of Howard, aged seven years; and of Steven, four; grandson of Mrs. Esther Binstock, 885 Dundas Street West; and of Aaron Franklin, 444 Dundas Street West.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Morton Stern (nee Beverly Leeds), 62 Viewmount Avenue, on August 20, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Susan Ellen; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Stern, 27 Glenayr Road; and of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leeds, 242 Park Home Avenue; great-granddaughter of Morris Weinberg, 156 Brunswick Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. A. Lester, 5 Kilbarry Road.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stein (nee Bernice Lyons), 184 Marlee Avenue, on August 19, at the New Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Michael Brian; brother of Lorne, aged five years; and Sharyne, four; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Z. Stein, 399 Whitmore Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. H. Labovitz, 480 Lytton Boulevard; great-grandson of Mrs. A. Blitstein, 184 Marlee Avenue.

BAR-MITZVAHS and BAS-MITZVAHS

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stone, 51 Old Park Road, will celebrate the bas-mitzvah of their daughter, Joanne Louise, aged thirteen years; and the bar-mitzvah of their son, Kenneth Everett, aged thirteen years, on Saturday, September 12, in Beth Sholom Synagogue. They are the grandchildren of Mrs. Ethel Wiseman, 51 Old Park Road; and of Mrs. Moses Loeb, of Ottawa, Ontario. A reception will take place the same evening at the Synagogue.

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A Lament For Yiddish In Retreat

BY JOSEF FRANKEL, NOTED HEBRAIST AND JOURNALIST, OF LONDON, ENGLAND

The battle of languages which once raged in Palestine was necessary and justified and in the end achieved the hoped-for results. It was clear, even then, that a Jewish State could have only one official language — Hebrew. In the past the fight was not only against Yiddish but also against English, French and German, the main languages of instruction in the various schools of Palestine.

The Hebrew language was awakened to life after more than a thousand years not with a Prince's kiss alone, but by the hard work, exertions, and determination of the Zionist Organisation. Hebrew was never really dead but became a spoken language when the soil of Palestine was again being cultivated by Jewish colonists. This too was no simple task. With wearisome labour, with blood and sweat, the country was made to flourish and it was with great effort, burning fervour and stubborn perseverance that the Hebrew language eventually triumphed.

When Eliezer ben Yehuda resolved to speak only Hebrew in his home in Jerusalem, even his wife failed to understand him and this led to serious family differences. But he won his first victory in his own home. The dramatic struggle for Hebrew in Palestine went on for several decades. Even Ahad Ha'Am had to be reminded in Tel Aviv to: "Speak Hebrew!"

Every country is concerned about its national language. In Israel to-day Hebrew is not only the national language but is also "secured by Public Law." As all competition has disappeared, freedom of language prevails in Israel and anyone can speak or publish papers and books in whatever language he chooses. In 1881 only one family in Jerusalem spoke Hebrew. Today hundreds of thousands do so.

Conditions were quite different in the Diaspora. The rivalry between Hebrew and Yiddish was senseless, meaningless, and harmful. The slogan was once: "Yiddish only!" or "Hebrew only!" In this war there could only be wounded and defeated. The languages of the various countries were the sole victors.

The Yiddishists scorned and derided Hebrew in those days — some even turning away from Jerusalem because of their contempt for Hebrew and instead — looked towards Biro-Bidjan — and they became anti-Zionists and enemies of colonisation in Palestine. The Hebraists, on their part, tried to undermine Yiddish as a language and their Hebrew propaganda went hand in hand with their ridicule of Yiddish.

And then — suddenly and unexpectedly — a truce was called. They had at last realised that Hebrew in the Diaspora flourished best and most fruitfully in a Yiddish garden. Where Yiddish faded away, there too was no soil for Hebrew. Where Yiddish had taken root, there Hebrew revived. Yiddish awakens intense Jewish activity and this in turn is the strongest bulwark against assimilation.

Eretz Israel has always had a magnetic power over the Diaspora, from ancient times, when the mother-tongue in the Babylonian exile was Aramaic, until to-day, particularly among Yiddish-speaking Jews. At times the truce is broken by certain individuals, usually proclaiming a love of Yiddish which gives them the excuse to spread false rumours and to attack Israel for "discrimination" against Yiddish. These are generally persons whose "Weltanschauung" lies in ruins and nothing will make them see reason.

But there are also some zealous Hebraists still engaged in the campaign against Yiddish. Their weapon is the creation of a special anti-Yiddish atmosphere — a "Cold war" against *Mame-Loshon*. One of them stated recently that Yiddish is becoming a "moribund tongue." Like a disdainful heir he describes Yiddish as already part of our "Jewish heritage" and compares Yiddish to — Latin.

We Jews have had "experts" for hundreds of years. They would proclaim the downfall of the Jewish people, the Jewish religion, the Hebrew language, Yeshivoth, and synagogues. "Not a trace of Zionism will remain" — declared one of our "prophets." In our own time, in 1948, they have stood, watch in hand, announcing the exact moment of the Mufti's entrance into Tel Aviv. For generations, for almost year after year, these "experts," as numerous as the drops of water in the ocean, have also predicted the end of Yiddish.

Can *Mame-Loshon* be compared to Latin? Where do Latin poets and writers thrive to-day? In Argentine alone, one publisher has — since the last world war — printed over 130 Yiddish books. Where can one find a Latin theatre? But in New York, Warsaw, Buenos Aires, Whitechapel, and Bucharest, Yiddish plays are being staged. Even to-day one can make oneself understood in Yiddish — everywhere — even in Bombay or Madagascar.

Yiddish, weakened though it may be, will never die. Yiddish is a wanderer; as it disappears from one country, one town, one area — it reappears in another country, town, or area. It has practically departed from Austria and Slovakia; only to arrive in Canada or Brazil. Emigrating from Whitechapel, it lives on in Stanford Hill, considered dead in Russia, yet we hear that at concerts held in Moscow and in other towns, where Yiddish folksongs were sung, the crowded audience joined in enthusiastically.

One "expert" maintains that the number of readers of Yiddish papers is decreasing and insists that their existence is a "hopeless battle." True, the Yiddish press has lost readers, many readers, but the flame of Yiddish will burn for many generations to come and who of us can foretell with certainty that the situation is hopeless? It is just as likely to be hopeful.

Yiddish is deeply embedded in the Jewish soul and has won a worthy place in world literature. But Yiddish has no country and university of its own to safeguard and promote it. The present trend is not encouraging to Yiddish and Yiddish is in retreat. But times change and Yiddish could flower again.

The Jewish people, though passive about *Mame-Loshon* in their own communities, demand that Russia should allow the revival of Yiddish culture. Yiddish is going through a critical phase and help is needed.

First of all a World Conference for Yiddish should be convened in order to establish a "World Organisation for Yiddish" and a "Yiddish Fund." In every country where Yiddish is alive, branches of this World Organisation and Fund should be formed. "Yivo," the Yiddish Scientific Institute, should not only serve research and history of Yiddish, but should occupy itself with practical work and the publication of Yiddish text-books and dictionaries. Wherever Jewish day schools exist, Yiddish should also be taught as a voluntary subject. These and similar ideas could be elaborated upon but it would be useless and only of theoretical value without calling a conference and creating a World Organisation.

Hundreds of threads, among them Hebrew and Yiddish, stretch from land to land, binding together the Jewish people, Israel and the Diaspora, the world elsewhere, and these threads form a tie which fortifies and enriches Jewish life.

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About The Conception And Birth Pangs Of The Montreal Jewish General Hospital

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We are on the eve of a gala occasion, the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Montreal Jewish General Hospital. I need not anticipate what you will then hear, and many of you already know, of the magnificent buildings, of the splendid staff, lay as well as medical, and of the hospital governing board. Above all, what is and will become more apparent is the vast service the hospital has rendered not only to our sick but to our doctors and nurses, who have been enabled to benefit by it as a stepping-stone in their careers.

Finally, it has elevated our own community in the esteem of our city and our country. All honor then to its founders, supporters, and medical and lay workers to the present day and on. May it remain "A Tribute Everlasting". This you will hear of adequately from others in the near future. My theme deals rather with the "blood and sweat and tears" in the abortive attempts for a generation preceding the establishment of the hospital and the later travails culminating in its function.

In 1907 there were very few Jewish physicians in Montreal, myself the only one with a hospital appointment. The hospitals had limited bedspace and it was difficult to get Jewish patients admitted or Jewish doctors on the hospital staff. Our community was much "greener" (immigrant) in that era. The Jewish patients, whether rightly or wrongly, had many grievances as a result of their handling in the hospitals. However, there were at least two legitimate ones: ignorance of the language, and the problem of kashruth.

In 1907 the late Dr. Hyman (Herbert) Lightstone (a brother of Madame Donalda, the singer), and myself decided to appeal to our community to erect a Jewish hospital. Remember, in those days the Montreal General and the Royal Victoria were not the magnificent palaces they are to-day; erection and land costs were not prohibitive. Also there were lesser and, at that time, much poorer hospitals like the Old Western, the Herbert Reddy (Women's General), and the Homeopathic (now the Queen Elizabeth), which were then little more than expansions of large private homes, bought for hospital purposes. If you add to this the youth and inexperience of Dr. Lightstone and myself and our modest aims at the start, perhaps you will agree that our purpose was not so Quixotic, and so we made the venture.

Each of us with a little note-book in his hand, began to canvas our wealthier compatriots, requesting the hoped-for donors to sign for $1,000 or $2,000 towards the erection of a hospital and correspondingly $100 or $200 towards the annual maintenance. I wish I had those two little note-books to-day as a footnote to our communal history. In any case, we met with some pleasant receptions and, for the era, a fair number of contributions. Of the number who signed, I regret to say I now remember only three, namely, the late Mark Workman, Hiram Levy, and Jack Jacobs.

However, Lightstone and myself found this a very time-consuming effort. We had our budding practices, hospital duties, and the necessity for making a living to consider. Though our attempts received fair recognition, they did not build up fast enough in contributions to build a hospital, so that after a few months of effort we reluctantly dropped the venture. But I never forgot my purpose.

In the following years the community was enlarging and becoming more prosperous. More and more Jewish medical students were graduated; still, except for the few of us more fortunate ones, with the same difficulties to surmount. By 1923 there was already a considerable number of Jewish physicians, and early in that year Drs. Samuel Ortenberg, Nathan Freedman, the late A. P. Ship and Max Lightstone (no relation to Hyman) approached me with the proposal to form a Jewish medical society, with two purposes:

1. The ordinary medical society of papers, lectures, the presentation of patients and discussions, involving the general interchange of medical ideas, knowledge, and experience. 2. The propagation of a Jewish hospital. I agreed; a meeting of the Jewish medical men took place in my house; most of the men joined. Thus was founded the Montreal Clinical Society, which, I believe, now has about 200 members. I was elected president and held that office for over ten years. However, this imposed a bounden duty on me and in a few years I resumed the task I had laid aside nearly 20 years before.

The procedure to gain our aim, this time, varied from the preceding one. Instead of tackling our nabobs first, we approached and preached to the people: synagogues, benefit societies, loan societies, burial societies, fraternal societies, and so on. We were making the Jewish community Jewish-hospital-conscious. A number of the members of our medical society, besides myself, did yeoman service in speaking to these organisations, among them, to mention but a few, were Drs. A. Bercovitch, Max Wiseman, and the late Max Lightstone. As a result of this activity, the following news item (under the heading of Quebec News) appeared in the Canadian Medical Association Journal of August 1925:

"Plans for the erection of a general hospital in Montreal under Jewish control and staffed chiefly by Jews were discussed at a meeting of the organizing committee of the proposed hospital, held in the Mount Royal Hotel, recently. The project was unanimously approved and it was agreed that it should be carried out in conjunction with the committee of the Hebrew Maternity Hospital. The new hospital will be for the use of all races and creeds and will have a maternity section. Doctors interested have promised $20,000 towards its cost. The total cost of erection is expected to be about $500,000 and the hospital will have 150 beds. Dr. N. Viner, president of the Montreal Clinical Society said that there was accommodation in Montreal hospitals at present for only one patient out of ten needing hospital care".

Other elements of our community began to be active in our crusade. The late H. Wolofsky repeatedly harped on the subject in his Jewish newspapers. A poor woman from our "East Side" independently began collecting pennies, quarters, and dollar bills from her own section of the city until she had accumulated $7,000 or $8,000 towards the erection of a Jewish hospital. The news of this pathetic but valuable effort certainly had a strong emotional impact not only on her own neighbourhood but also on heart-and-pursestrings of some of our "higher-ups" who got to hear of it.

About this time a shameful and shocking incident occurred which jolted our whole community. A local Jewish medical graduate obtained an internship in one of our French hospitals. Within a few days his French colleagues went on strike leaving the patients without necessary medical care, thus forcing the Jewish doctor to resign. It so happened that, as president of the Montreal Clinical Society, I was requested, on behalf of the Jewish individual concerned, to represent him at the "Inquisition" into the case before the whole medical board of that hospital. Unfortunately, humility and timi-

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Plaque Unveiling At Trois Rivieres To Launch Bicentenary Year Of Canadian Jewry

A special ceremony in Trois Rivieres, Quebec, home of the first Jewish settler in Canada, and the community which elected the first Jew to the Legislative Assembly, will launch a year of celebration in honour of the bicentenary of Canadian Jewry, under the joint auspices of the City of Trois Rivieres and the Canadian Jewish Congress, on Labour Day, September 7, at 4 P.M., and will highlight the historic role of "Three Rivers" as a pioneer in the recognition of democratic hights.

Aaron Hart, the first permanent Jewish settler in Canada, who came with the British army in 1759 and participated in the capture of Montreal, subsequently settled in Trois Rivieres where he became an active and respected member of the community. Ezekiel Hart, second son of Aaron Hart, was elected member for Trois Rivieres to the Legislative Assembly of Lower Canada in 1807, but he was refused the right to sit or vote because he professed the Jewish religion.

In spite of this, the City of Trois-Rivieres returned him as its member in 1808, and although Ezekiel Hart never actually took his seat in the House, he lived to see an act passed in 1832, granting Jews "The full rights and privileges of all other subjects of His Majesty King William IV". This legislation was the first of its kind in the British Commonwealth and was not introduced in Great Britain until 1859. It is in honour of this democratic achievement that a plaque, inscribed in French and English, will be mounted in Champlain Park facing Hart Street.

Lavy M. Becker, chairman of the National Bicentenary Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress, announced that high government and civic officials as well as prominent members of the Montreal and Trois Rivieres communities will attend the ceremony and the reception following the unveiling of the plaque. Invitations have been sent to living descendants of the Hart and Joseph families in all parts of the world and it is anticipated that several fifth, sixth, and seventh generation members of the pioneer families will attend.

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